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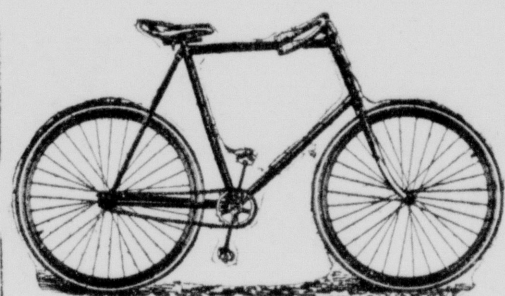
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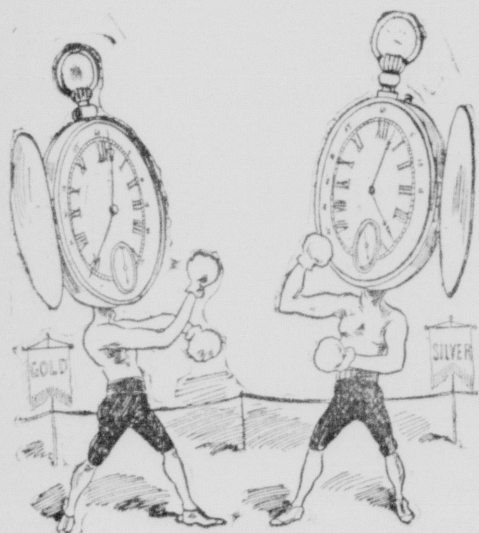
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—Miss Emma O'Brien went east this morning.

—E. H. Brewster went east this morning.

—Joseph Graff and wife are up from Sterling.

—Lou Preston came home last night from the east.

—Andrew McEwen was out from Chicago today.

—Jacob Brubaker left on a business trip this morning.

—Cyclists of Sterling are talking of an illuminated bicycle parade.

—Thomas Gaffney and Ed. Keenan went to Mendota this morning.

—Mrs. Libbie of Flyst street is entertaining a sister from Kentucky.

—Miss Sophia Greenway of Sterling has been visiting relatives here.

—Miss Cornelia Heile, of Chicago, came yesterday to visit friends here.

—Edward Cook has returned to Genoa after a visit at his home here.

—Mrs. George Barr and daughter, Lillian, returned to Chicago this morning.

—Samuel Boyer and family spent yesterday at Hazelwood, going up by boat.

—Miss Beth Garnsey has been entertaining Miss Mira Clark of Sterling.

—We are pleased to see John E. Grove on his feet again after a severe illness.

—Nathan Clears and Albin Northberg spent last evening with Sterling friends.

—Clayton C. Ingraham spent last night at home and today is racing in Rochelle.

—Mrs. Eliza Howell, of Peoria avenue, was very ill last night but is better today.

—Mrs. Welch of Elgin is here on a visit with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. E. C. Sickels.

—Two laborers at work in the street at Sterling Wednesday were keeled over by the heat.

—Elbert Mason came yesterday from Nebraska to attend the funeral of his father, J. M. Mason.

—Mrs. Bert Shetter, of Geneva, has departed for Morrison after a pleasant visit at the S. C. Shetter home in North Dixon.

—The 20th Century Club will start from Court House Park this evening at a quarter before seven, led by Miss Bessie Camp.

—August is the month of meteoric showers and astronomers predict that about Sunday or Monday night next we will have a display of the "falling stars."

—Mrs. Oliver Elliott of Harmon, while in Sterling shopping one day this week was overcome by the heat and remained unconscious several hours.

—Mrs. O. Richardson has returned to her home at Grays Lake after a visit at the Gennett home in North Dixon. Miss Minnie Gennett accompanied her for a short visit.

—Two valuable combs were lost at Island Park on the occasion of the last party there. Anyone having found same should hand them to Samuel Boyer for the owner.

—New York Tribune: Altgeld says the American people are not ready to become the vassals of European money-lenders. His notion is that they prefer to be the victims of European bomb throwers.

—A work horse belonging to L. Drummond, of North Dixon, died yesterday afternoon in Parsons' addition from the effects of the heat. The poor brute suffered intensely before death relieved it.

—The Women's Relief Corps, 218 of Dixon, have received a very cordial invitation from G. A. R. Post 572 of Amboy to attend the annual reunion of the old veterans to be held in Amboy on the 25th and 26th inst.

—Sterling Standard: John Duis, of Dorsey, Ill., is visiting his brother Fred, of the Hennepin canal force surveyors. Mr. Duis is a teacher of the Dorsey schools and has been attending the institute at Dixon.

—The great gelding Robert J. broke the world's pacing record on the track at Columbus, Ohio, yesterday. It was the fastest four consecutive heats and the fastest fourth heat ever paced or trotted on any track. The time made was 2:03½, 2:04½, 2:04½ and 2:02½.

Another Bank Failure.

LANSING, Michigan, Aug. 7.—The Ingham County Saving Bank failed to open for business this morning. It is said that depositors will lose nothing.

NEW YORK, Aug. 7.—A dispatch to the Post of this city, from President Cleveland says: "It is absolutely untrue that I have given any advice touching course of Indianapolis Democratic Conference."

BERLIN, Aug. 7th.—Prince Hohenlohe, Imperial chancellor, has resigned, and further changes are anticipated in ministry of finance.

FARGO FACTORY.

Dixon's Pecuniary Interest in the Plant—The Real Estate, Title, etc.,

The unfortunate failure of C. H. Fargo & Co. caused quite a sensation in our city this morning to the owing fact that their shoe factory, located in our city, was closed late last evening, by the United States Marshal.

As the money for the erection of the main factory and the land where it is located was donated by citizens of Dixon with the understanding that the business of manufacturing shoes should be continued five years, much anxiety has been expressed to us on the streets this morning regarding Dixon's interest in the real estate on account of the fact that the five years limit has not yet expired. With the deed for the real estate there is filed in the Record's office an agreement between C. H. Fargo & Co., stipulating that should the firm "abandon" the factory, or cease to manufacture goods, a certain sum should be paid back to the Dixon citizens who donated the property, the amount of such draw-back to be decided on a basis of the remaining unexpired years or months necessary to complete the five years limit. According to the contract filed and placed up on the records of Lee county with a deed of the real estate, we estimate that the Business Men's Association of Dixon would have a draw-back of about twenty-three hundred dollars before a full and clear title could be secured for the factory and real estate by the creditors of C. H. Fargo & Co.

This is a very small matter to be considered in comparison with the closing down of the factory and we only give it in reply to many enquiries.

The contract was filed in the Recorder's office September 18, 1894. We have only given the facts, adding a mere matter of a hint to satisfy an anxious public. When the lawyers take the matter up and the courts have it in charge, should it come to that, there will be many "ifs" to come in as to the meaning of the word "abandon," as nominated in the bond: whether or not a forced closing of the factory would be considered in the light of abandoning it in the meaning of the contract.

Came Near Drowning.

A little son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Thomann of North Dixon walked out on the dam about 5 p. m. yesterday and down on the apron near the lower edge he stepped upon a slippery spot and went like a shot into the deep water below. The boy, though but seven or eight years old, manipulated his arms and legs wonderfully well, but he would have drowned had not some one on shore seen him and called to F. L. Shaw, who was in a boat fishing at the wagon bridge. Fred quickly rowed to the spot and succeeded in pulling the exhausted child into the boat. On shore Fred, assisted by Ike Barr, who is generally on hand when needed along the river, held the lad by the legs head down and jerked the water from his lungs and he was soon able to go home.

The Thick and the Thin of It.

To swell the Hospital fund a game of ball will be played at Pleasure Park probably on Tuesday of next week between fat and lean men of this city. It should draw a large crowd. The teams will be:

Fat men: C. H. Thomann, Charles Plein, Charles Peck, Alderman George Shields, Albin Northberg, Dr. F. E. Morris, Ed. Keenan Grant Funk, Chas. F. Ball with Alderman N. P. McKinney as substitute.

Lean men: W. R. Parker, Joe Rue-land, Will Hillis, John D. Parsons, Geo. W. McBride, Geo. W. Hawley, John Laing, Louis Atkins, Dr. C. A. Robins, with Charles Miller as substitute. The small boy will not be interrupted in his side remarks with these players.

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READY TO START.

Bryan's Lincoln Friends Call to Say Good-Bye.

HIS TRIP TO THE BIG METROPOLIS.

Expects to Find a Lot of Work Cut Out for Him by the National Committee—His Stops at Des Moines and Chicago—Pingree Nominated for Governor of Michigan and Seefeld for the Same Office in Wisconsin by the Republicans.

LINCOLN, Neb., Aug. 7.—In view of his approaching departure for the east Bryan received an unusual number of callers yesterday. The large majority of them were Lincoln people, who came to bid him Godspeed in his incursion into the heart of the enemy's country. There were many Populists and Democrats, who stopped to see him fresh from the Populist state convention at Hastings, and many ladies who came to tender a friendly farewell to Mrs. Bryan. Bryan is unable to say just how long he may be absent from home. Outside of his trip to New York and his subsequent visit of a week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sewall, in Bath, Me., he knows not what demands may be made upon his time. From the little that can be learned from him he seems to think that the national committee may map out considerable work for him in the east. It is known that he is not expected to return before the state Democratic convention, which will occur on the 25th inst., and it is generally understood that he will be away at least until some time in the first week of September.

Will Start This Afternoon.

The Bryan party will leave Lincoln at 2:05 p. m. today over the Rock Island for the east. At Omaha there will be a stop of fifty minutes. From that on until the train arrives in Des Moines about 9 p. m. it will stop at every station as usual, and wherever there is a proffer of them Bryan will receive the greetings of the people.

Will Make a State Rally of It.

DES MOINES, Aug. 7.—Arrangements have been completed here for a grand reception to Bryan this evening. The occasion will be made a state rally for the free silver forces. There will be day and night parades with speaking for all. Among the prominent speakers who will take part are ex-Chief Justice Cole and General Weaver.

Getting Ready at Chicago.

CHICAGO, Aug. 7.—Preparations for the reception of William J. Bryan Saturday next are being rapidly pushed to a conclusion. A big reception committee containing nearly every prominent silver Democrat in Chicago has been appointed, and the following line of march for the Democratic nominee and the procession by which he will be escorted to his hotel has been mapped out: North on Clark to Madison, to Fifth avenue, north to Washington street, east to Dearborn, south to Madison, east to State, south to Jackson, east to Michigan avenue, and north to Clifton House. M. C. McDonald, Alderman John Powers, and Maurice O'Connor will be in charge of the first division; William J. O'Brien and Thomas Cary will command the second division; James A. Brachtendorf, Henry Bartling, and Michael E. Hughes will have charge of the third division.

SCHOFIELD WINS THE PRIZE.

Captures the Republican Nomination for Governor of Wisconsin.

MILWAUKEE, Aug. 7.—Major Edward Schofield, of Oconto, was nominated for governor by the Republican state convention yesterday after five ballots had been taken. The present state officers were nominated by acclamation. Two motions to adjourn, made in the interest of LaFollette, one before and one after the fifth ballot, were defeated, and the roll was being called for the sixth ballot when H. C. Adams, who made the speech nominating LaFollette, moved to make the nomination of Major Schofield unanimous. He did this because the vote of the first district on the sixth ballot made it apparent that Major Schofield would be nominated. Hoard expressed his approval of the motion to make the nomination unanimous, which was carried amid tremendous enthusiasm. The convention reconvened shortly after 10 o'clock yesterday morning, and the seconding of gubernatorial nominations was resumed. After the seconding speeches were completed Senator Thurston was introduced and made a brief speech. He said that in forty days the money question would be settled and the tariff question would be the paramount issue. The first ballot for governor resulted: Schofield, 249½; LaFollette, 261½; Baensch, 83; Elliott, 48½; Estabrook, 6; Bradford, 31. On the second Schofield had 268½ and LaFollette 258. On the next Schofield's vote ran up to 233½ and LaFollette dropped to 250. On the fourth Schofield had 315½ and LaFollette was stationary. This was the beginning of the end, and on the sixth LaFollette's general, H. C. Adams, moved to make the vote for Schofield unanimous, and it was carried with cheers.

Before proceeding to complete the ticket Delegate Hall, of Dunn county, brought forward his resolution declaring against the acceptance and use of free railway passes by state officials, legislators and judges of courts. The resolution was adopted. A motion was adopted that the present state officers other than governor be renominated as a whole, and it was done by acclamation. They are: Lieutenant governor, Emil Baensch; secretary of state, Henry Cassin; attorney general, William H. Mylrea; treasurer, S. A. Peterson; railroad commissioner, Duncan McKenzie; insurance commissioner, W. A. Fricke; state superintendent, J. Q. Emery.

REED FOR THE TENTH TIME.

Nominated for Congress from the First Pine Tree State District.

PORTLAND, Aug. 7.—Thomas B. Reed was yesterday renominated by acclamation for congress by the Republican convention, of the First district. It is the tenth successive term for which Reed has been nominated. In putting Reed in nomination Wilfred G. Chapman expressed regret that he was not the presidential candidate of his party and predicted that he would be in the future. After the nomination Reed was escorted to the platform amid loud cheering. He seemed to be considerably affected by the ovation. Reed thanked the convention for the unanimous nomination, saying that by so doing he had been relieved of the duty of attending to his own district

and given the opportunity of paying attention to the wickedness of the rest of the world.

Continuing he said: "We in Maine have got to make up our minds on the great issue of this campaign, and a great deal depends on what we do in September. When we see two men standing on a corner and both men seem to be somewhat uneasy and unable to fully comprehend what they are talking about you may rest assured that they are talking about the currency." Reed then gave the anti-free silver view of the matter with great clearness and vigor.

PINGREE NAMED AT GRAND RAPIDS.

He Will Lead the Michigan Republicans in the State Fight.

GRAND RAPIDS, Aug. 7.—The Republicans of Michigan closed one of the most exciting state conventions ever held by their party at 8:30 last evening. The fight over the candidate for governor, which ended with the nomination of Hazen S. Pingree, Detroit's famous mayor, had been on since early last winter, and every nook and cranny of the state had been worked both for and against the "potato statesman," as he is frequently called by those opposed to him. Until recently there was nothing like a concentration of the anti-Pingree sentiment, and the result shows that the attempt of the anti's to unite on Colonel Bliss, of Saginaw, was made too late—too many other booms had been launched.

This left the opposition divided while the Pingree forces were united and aggressive at every point, though they were careful to avoid personalities and made no charges of unfitness against other candidates. However, they denounced the "state machine," and urged the need of reform in state institutions, particularly in prisons and asylums. On the other hand Pingree was denounced as a silver fanatic, an agitator, demagogue and an anarchist, and classed with Waite, Altgeld and Penneyer, by those who sought to check his ambition. The Pingree men had predicted 350 votes on the first ballot for their favorite and lacked only eleven of fulfilling their prediction. The Bliss managers had estimated their strength at 340 and showed only 286.

The others—O'Donnell, Aitken, Wheeler and Conant—held their accredited strength and a dead-lock was apparent until the chairman ruled that the unit rule had no place in a Republican convention. Then various delegations that had been instructed to vote as a unit began to break up and Pingree got most of the odd votes. On the second he received 358 and Bliss 257. On the third Pingree gained seven more and Bliss lost eleven. The fourth ballot showed Pingree 443, while Bliss had fallen back to 257. All other candidates except Bliss joined in declaring Pingree the unanimous choice of the convention.

The remainder of the ticket was made up as follows: Lieutenant governor, Thomas H. Dunston of Houghton; secretary of state, Washington Gardner; state treasurer, George A. Steele, of St. Johns; auditor general, Roscoe D. Dix, of Benton Harbor; attorney general, Fred A. Maynard, of Grand Rapids; commissioner of state land office, William A. French, of Alpena; superintendent of public instruction, Jason E. Hammond, of Hillsdale; member of the state board of education, John W. Simmons, of Owosso.

WATSON STATES HIS POSITION.

Southern Populists Must Have a Southern Man on the Ticket.

ATLANTA, Aug. 7.—Thomas E. Watson, Populist candidate for vice president, spoke to 3,000 people here yesterday giving the Populist side of the trouble between them and the Democratic candidate for vice president. He said in brief that the men who were for Bryan and Sewall wanted to fuse with the southern Populists by taking everything; that the southern Populists could not vote for Sewall because he did not represent their principles. They could vote for Bryan because he had been with them and fought for their policies. The movement was one of the south and west and there must be a southerner on the ticket. He pledged to Bryan every Populist vote whether Sewall was withdrawn or not.

Fusion Has a Hard Road to Travel.

HASTINGS, Neb., Aug. 7.—The Populist convention was in session all night and adjourned sine die yesterday morning. It was dominated by the "middle-of-the-road" men to such an extent that a long debate was the result of the Democratic proposition for fusion. The Democrats only asked two state officers—treasurer and attorney general—and when they found what a row the request was kicking up they withdrew it. Then the Populists grew generous and they left a hole in their ticket where the attorney general should be. The question of electors was left to the central committee. It is understood that there will be an equal division.

Maine Democrats Nominate Again.

WATERVILLE, Aug. 7.—The second Democratic state convention this year for the nomination of a candidate for governor assembled here yesterday. E. D. Frank was selected for the place on the ticket made vacant by the declination of Mr. Winslow, who retired because of the attitude the Democratic party had taken at the national convention on the currency question.

Democrats Get the Electors.

ABILENE, Kas., Aug. 7.—The Democratic proposition to give the Populists the whole state ticket if the Populists would vote for the Democratic electors was accepted by the Populist state convention. The Democrats also agree that the electors shall vote for Sewall or Watson, whichever he has the highest vote in the electoral college.

HE IS LAYING FOR THEM.

Colorado Insurance Commissioner Will Jump on the Companies.

DENVER, Aug. 7.—It is announced that State Auditor Parks, who is ex-officio insurance commissioner, is about to spring a surprise upon some of the leading insurance companies. Several companies, it is said, have recently been sending circulars to their policy-holders containing the assertion that if the Democratic party is successful in the coming election their policies will be worth but half the amount on which the premiums have been paid.

It is said Parks has been quietly securing a collection of these circulars, which he claims are evidences of insolvency on the part of the companies, and he now proposes to cancel the licenses of all such companies which are now doing business in this state. It is claimed that the auditor's judgment in such cases is final, and that if he insists upon this course the companies will be barred from doing business in the state.

KING OF THE TURF

Robert J. Proves His Claim to the Championship.

BEATS AGAN IN A GREAT RACE.

Winning the Last Three Heats and Making the Fastest Fourth Heat Ever Paced or Trotted—The Whole Four Heats Also the Fastest Ever Made Consecutively—Agan the Favorite a Close Second—Story of the Remarkable Contest.

COLUMBUS, O., Aug. 7.—Robert J. has again demonstrated that he is the greatest pacer ever harnessed to a sulky. Frank Agan was the favorite in the free-for-all pace, and relying upon his remarkable performance at Cleveland nearly every horseman on the track yesterday backed him to win. Previous to the second heat of the great race Robert J. had few backers outside of Hamlin and the attaches of the Village Farm stables. When Robert J. took the second heat, however, by a fine spurt at the finish, the big crowd became enthused, and he at once became a hot favorite. It was evident from the first that Robert J. was to be driven to win, and the fact that Agan was so heavily backed made it certain that the race would be hotly contested. And so it was.

Was a Record-Making Race.

It was the greatest race of the year, the fastest four consecutive heats, and the fastest fourth heat ever paced or trotted on any track, being made. In the first heat, paced in 2:03½, Agan lowered his record half a second and broke the track record. The second and third heats in 2:04½ were considered phenomenal, but the crowd was not prepared for the great surprise when the fastest fourth heat ever paced or trotted was made, the time being 2:02¾. It was about 2:30 when the first heat of the great race was paced. The sky was covered with heavy dark clouds that foreboded a storm, and scarcely a breeze stirred. The track was faster than any day since the races began.

Robert J. Third in the First.

The immense grand stand was filled with people and there was a perfect jam in the betting sheds. There were three starters in the race—Frank Agan, driven by McCarthy; Robert J., driven by Starr, and Rubenstein, driven by Laird. Geers expected to drive Robert J., but had not sufficiently recovered from an accident Wednesday. In the first heat the horses started away well, Agan taking the lead and holding it all the way round with Rubenstein second and Robert J. third. In the second heat Agan took the lead and Rubenstein dropped behind Robert J. before the first quarter was passed. Robert J. kept a close second all the way round to the stretch, when he began to move up.

Agan Goes Off His Feet.

Just at the finish Agan was pulled off his feet and Robert J. went under the wire a length ahead. The third heat was almost a repetition of the second. Agan took the lead and Robert J. hugged his sulky until they came into the stretch, when Robert J. moved ahead easily. In the fourth heat a pretty start was made and Rubenstein set the pace, the three horses going in a bunch almost to the three-quarters pole, with Agan in the lead. After that Rubenstein dropped back and Robert J., as in the previous heats, hugged Agan's sulky until they turned into the stretch, when Robert J. moved up and passed under the wire a length ahead of Agan. The time by quarters in the last heat was: 0:30½, 1:00½, 1:31, 2:02¾.

The Day Was Generally Eventful.

There were two other races on the card besides the 2:25 pace postponed from Wednesday. Of the eleven heats paced and trotted during the afternoon the slowest was 2:11½. Franklin won the 2:17 trot in straight heats—2:10½, 2:10½ and 2:11½.

CANADIAN YACHTS WIN EVERYTHING

Regatta at Erie a Complete Triumph for the Visitors.

ERIE, Pa., Aug. 7.—The weather was perfect for the Erie Yacht club regatta yesterday. The following boats entered: Forty-five footers—Canada and Scorpion; forty-footers—Puritana, Iris, Diana and Vivian; thirty-five footers—Eva, Miriam and Naudia; thirty-footers—Myrna, Hiawatha, Dorothy and Nox. The Canadian boats won in every event. The Canada crossed the line forty-nine seconds ahead of the Scorpion, and beat her thirty-seven minutes at the finish.

The Diana was first among the 40-footers, beating the Vivian by 1:51 and the Iris by 10:35. Among the 35-footers the Eva was the first at the finish, beating the Miriam by 22 seconds and the Naudia by 55 seconds. The Hiawatha won in the 30-foot class, leading the Myrna by 5 minutes and 4 seconds, the Dorothy by 20 minutes and 9 seconds, and the Nox by 23 minutes and 30 seconds.

AMATEUR OAKSMEN AT WORK.

Results of the Boat Races of the Mississippi Valley Association.

OTTAWA BEACH, Mich., Aug. 7.—The first series of races held under the auspices of the Mississippi Valley Rowing association at its nineteenth annual regatta took place yesterday on Black lake. The weather and course were perfect for the occasion. The crews of the competing clubs were all in fine condition, and the various events were highly interesting. The races and results were as follows:

Junior singles—Franklin Catlin, C. H. Boat club, first; J. B. Van Damm, Mutual club, second; time, 10:50½. Junior fours—Grand Rapids club, first; Pullman Athletic, second; time, 9:48. Junior doubles—Grand Rapids, first; Catlin, second; Grand Rapids Boat and Canoe, third; time, 10:52. Gig race—Delaware, first; Ontario, second; time, 9:47. Junior pairs—Catlin, first; Grand Rapids Boat and Canoe, second; time, 10:40.

THE BIG SHOOT AT CHICAGO.

Rain Gives the Contestants Some Trouble—Entry Record Beaten.

CHICAGO, Aug. 7.—World's championship shooting continued unabated yesterday. The list of nominations for handicaps for the individual championship closed at 11 a. m. yesterday with 128 entries, 124 of which qualified and went to the score. This surpasses all previous records in the point of number of entries for a championship event. The contestants must shoot at twenty-five birds.

The fifteen-bird event has 123 entries. In the world's championship race only one round of five birds was shot. The heat up to 3 o'clock was terrific. Then a heavy shower set in, interfering with the

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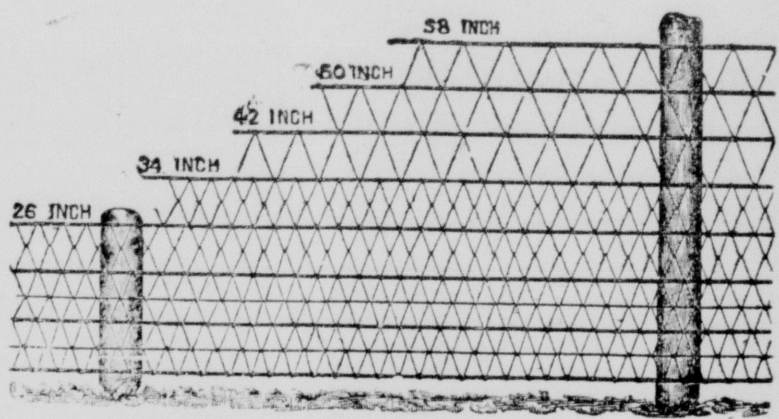
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—The Royal Neighbors of Woodmen have made arrangements for a basket picnic to be held at Assembly Park Thursday, Aug. 13th, and have invited the members of 56 and 841 to join them with their families. Dinner will be served at 12 o'clock. Come one. Come all and have a good time.

—Last night after the entertainment at college chapel was over and the street crossing on Third street near the campus was crowded with people, a horse attached to a carriage ran away but very fortunately passed through the crowd without hitting anybody. The horse belonged to A. M. Smith, who lives five miles southwest of this city, and in the carriage were Mrs. Smith, her son W. M. and a child. They were not hurt, but the carriage was considerably damaged.

—Polo Press:—Many of our exchanges have filled columns with names and declarations of Democrats in their vicinity who bolt openly and defiantly. The Press has yet to hear a Polo Democrat say he will support the Chicago platform and ticket. We don't doubt that there are such Democrats in this vicinity, but they are not making much noise. On the contrary among the leaders, there are many here, as elsewhere, who declare most emphatically that they cannot and will not support the ticket or platform. Under such circumstances it is unnecessary to quote names.

—Amboy Journal: The Hon. W. I. Guffin was here Saturday on his way home from Dixon. Mr. Guffin has made the currency question a study for the last three years and understands it thoroughly. He has written a discourse on the subject which is wanted by the republican campaign committee for publication, the committee pronouncing it the best and clearest treatment of the subject yet written. Mr. Guffin will be ready for campaign work soon, and we hope he may be induced to address the republicans in this vicinity on the money question at an early day.

—Three important events are scheduled to occur in the twin cities of Minnesota—St. Paul and Minneapolis—during the first week of September. The National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic will occur in St. Paul; an Encampment of the Knights of Pythias in Minneapolis and at Hamline, midway between these cities, will be held the great Minnesota State Fair. Very low passenger rates are announced by all railway companies for these events, making a splendid opportunity for anyone to visit the encampments, these young but great cities, the State Fair, and if desired, the whole Northwest.

—The Compton Graphophone (a neat little paper with a very awkward name) says that a correspondent of THE DIXON TELEGRAPH thinks that the county seat should be located in Lee Center, and adds: "The idea is good; we indorse it heartily. It will necessitate a change in the R. R. system of the county, but that's easy. A line could be run from Princeton to Oregon via Van Orin, Lee Center, Franklin Grove, and Taylor. The C. B. & Q. (if their attention was called to the matter,) would run a line from Shabbona to Lee Center, thence west to Sterling via Eldena and Nelson. The I. C. could move their tracks to run from Sublette to the Center, thence northwest to Dixon. This would be the making of Lee Center, and we hope the citizens will offer no objections to the scheme."

—The destruction of life by the recent earthquake in Japan seems to have been greater than that country suffered in its victorious war with the most populous nation on the globe. China has lost in single years by flood and famine more lives than have been sacrificed in all its battles since it has been known to the nations of the West. The deluges of the Hoang Ho, which is known as China's Sorrow, sometimes engulf and sweep away multitudes which would make a nation elsewhere, and it is not many years ago that seven millions in the northern provinces of China perished in a single season of famine, while food was abundant in other parts of the Empire. As the policy of the country now is to promote the building of railroads, there will probably be less wholesale starvation, but China cannot bridge upon her fatal yellow river to control its intermittent and terrible ravages. Beside these losses, the sixty thousand Japanese who, according to the latest report have perished under the tidal wave, which accompanied the earthquake, seems only a handful, but the loss of life is great enough to impart a shock to the whole world and awaken its earnest sympathy.

Failure of the Fargo Manufacturing Company.

Several hundreds of our citizens have received a practical object lesson this morning that the interests of capital and labor are identical and not antagonistic—that whatever affects disastrously the resources of the manufacturer, rebounds with crushing weight upon the wage earner. These thoughts must have forced themselves upon the minds of many of those who returned to their homes this morning from the closed doors of the Fargo Shoe Factory, which at a late hour last evening was taken possession of by a deputy United States marshal from Chicago.

To say that our citizens as they read the Chicago papers this morning were surprised and grieved to learn that the entire business possessions of the Fargos, including the stock in their Chicago wholesale establishment, as well as their large Dixon factory was in the hands of the federal authorities, but feebly expresses the general feeling; for the Fargos are highly regarded here, and this is the most important business failure that has ever occurred in this city.

An interview with Mr. J. C. Jocelyn, the manager of the works in Dixon, elicited nothing beyond what appeared in the morning papers with regard to the causes of the failure or the probable outcome.

The company is one of the oldest shoe firms in the west, and the failure was the result of confessed judgment in the federal court on notes aggregating \$170,000 in favor of the United States Rubber Company, and L. Candee & Co., also the confession of a judgment in the circuit court for \$26,250 in favor of the Metropolitan National Bank. The liabilities of the firm are estimated at about \$300,000 and their assets at \$440,000. The officers and sole stockholders of the company are Charles E. Fargo, president, F. M. Fargo, vice president and treasurer, and E. A. Fargo secretary. The Tribune says:

"The directors of the company held a meeting several days ago to consider means of tiding over their financial embarrassment. It was decided, owing to the demand for security on the part of the bank, to execute the judgement note in favor of that institution. The bank officials accepted the proposition and the note was turned over them. The notes to the rubber companies were given last winter at a time when the firm was passing through a strain. It was then given some financial assistance in addition to extended credit."

The cause of the failure is attributed to the general conditions of the money market and the uncertainty of the political campaign. Attorney Thos. Cratty, who represents the concern, says that it was the tampering with the money question which has unsettled public confidence and made the money market unstable. This seemed reasonable in view of the recent closing of the iron mines in Michigan by which 7,000 miners are thrown out of employment, from the same cause. The closing of the Massachusetts cotton mills, depriving 17,114 operatives of the opportunity to earn their living, and the shutting down of the Connecticut rubber works, forcing 1,400 workmen into idleness, are among the more recent significant object lessons of the Populistic craze.

As the firm has successfully weathered several severe financial panics (conspicuously that of 1893, when its indebtedness was much larger than now, and was every dollar paid) we trust that a satisfactory adjustment will be made that will enable the company to continue its business and that the result of the fall election will be such as to restore public confidence, and usher in an era of general business prosperity. The Times-Herald thinks the prospect of resumption under a reorganization is fair.

Up to the Fourth of July the factory here gave employment to 300 or 400 hands, but since that time has been running light, mostly on consignment and commissions. W. J. McAlpine, we understand, has been secured on his account for erection of an addition to the factory and other local accounts have been provided for. No assignment has been made and most of the indebtedness of the firm is for stock and not for cash advanced. The sympathies of the public of Dixon are with the Fargos in this reverse of fortune, and we all sincerely trust that they will be enabled to weather the blast.

Silver and the Rich.

Albuquerque, N. M., Citizen (Dem.): The railroad employes of this territory have a pretty good idea of what wages are in Mexico, where the rail road men are paid in silver. They get the same wages in Mexico, as in this country, but the money is worth only about half as much. If the free coinage proposition carries the United States will be placed on exactly the same monetary basis as Mexico, and with a debased currency, laboring men will be the first and principal sufferers. The rich men of Mexico have grown richer by the free coinage of silver.

Death of G. W. Reynolds.

George W. Reynolds of Rockford, a brother of Dr. C. J. Reynolds of Colorado Springs and of Miss Rebecca Reynolds of this city died at his home yesterday at 3 o'clock a. m., the result of a stroke of paralysis which he received ten days ago. For nearly half a century he has been one of Rockford's most prominent and most highly esteemed citizens. He first visited that city in 1840, but it was ten years later when he made it his permanent home. The Register-Gazette says of him:

"Rugged honesty was the chief characteristic of his whole life, and in his death the city loses a good man and citizen, the grief stricken family a fond, loving and generous father. Careful and conservative in the management of his affairs. Mr. Reynolds amassed a competence in addition to raising a large family, which was expensive in the days in which he brought up his children. He was fond of his home and family and few requests ever made by them, within his power to gratify, were not granted by him. Politically the deceased was a democrat, but he thought for himself and always reserved the right to cast his ballot for that which he believed was most patriotic and best for the interest of his fellow men. It was for this reason that had he lived he would have cast a vote for Major McKinley this fall."

Mr. Reynolds was well known in Dixon, where he had many friends. He was 76 years of age last Saturday. He leaves a widow and eight sons and daughters. The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon.

College Notes.

Though the weather was excessively hot, Chapel Hall last evening was completely filled with the friends and relatives of the graduates of the Oratory Class of the N. I. N. S. Many went away, not being able to secure a position from which to either see or hear, but those who were so able were, despite the uncomfortable warmth, highly entertained. At eight o'clock the Dixon Mandolin Club opened the program with a fine selection and then Prof. W. W. Carnes of Chicago, after humorous prefatory remarks, gave James Whitcomb Riley's "Romance," in a way which transported everyone to the woods and fields. Attitudes by members of the class, displayed the positions which characterize the different emotions, followed by Irving Russell's "Christmas at the Quarters," rendered in a most pleasing manner by Prof. Carnes; the part of the selection containing the description of the dance and the calls eliciting great applause. Posing, by twelve members of the class, was well given by all and showed to the greatest advantage what continued and persistent training will do in producing gracefulness and suppleness. The rendition by Prof. Carnes of the departure of Nicholas Nickleby from Mr. and Mrs. Squeers Yorkshire "school," and the previous events, being set forth with great effect. The misery of Smeke, the indignation of Nicholas, and the gloating of old Squeers over his victim were portrayed with a fidelity to human nature which was fully appreciated by the audience, as was evident by the low hum of approval when Squeers received his just deserts from the hands of Nicholas. F. M. Harned in the succeeding vocal solo was fine, his voice being rich and resonant. Bret Harte's "Luke" from "Echoes of the Foot-hills," was next presented by Prof. Carnes, and then fourteen of the young ladies of the class, clad in Grecian costume, came onto the stage in a sort of a rhythmic dance, now gracefully grouping themselves, and now delineating different emotions. They presented a very pretty effect. The program was then concluded by the "thread story;" Prof. Carnes depicting the adventures of a lodge member, who, returning home late, attempted to retire to peaceful dreams.

The exercises were in every way a success, and Mrs. Boucher is to be congratulated upon her fruitful efforts in behalf of this out-going class.

More Money for Hospital.

Through the efforts of F. A. Watson, the Emergency Hospital has been enriched fifteen dollars, a gift from Charles Hauselt, a leather firm of New York City.

—Old Lady—Poor fellow! I suppose your blindness is incurable. Have you ever been treated?

Blind Man—Yes, mum, but not often. 'Tain't many as 'likes to be seen going into a bar-room with a blind begger.—Hartford Times.

—Washington Star.—Her Suggestion.—"Jabez," she said quietly, "I heard ye tellin' the other day how ter git this country out'n financial difficulties."

"Yes. An' what I told was right."

"I reckon that's mighty vallyble information."

"'Course 'tis."

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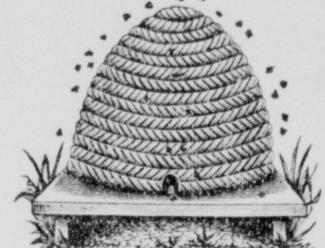
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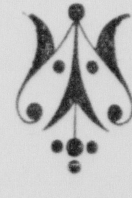
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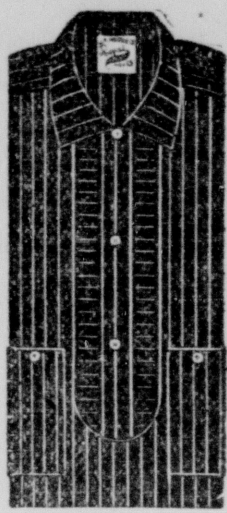
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—G. W. Barker of Clinton is here.

—W. J. Ambrose of St. Louis is here today.

—Barney Tumeys was in Mendota yesterday.

—The city council will have a warm session tonight.

—Rev. H. C. Granger has gone east for a month's rest.

—Mrs. Hannah Knodle of Oregon is visiting friends in Dixon.

—Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Winter of Fairdale are at Hotel Bishop.

—Mrs. Katherine Woods, of St. Louis is visiting her sister Mrs. G. H. Libby.

—F. W. VanBuskirk and Ray Allison of Mt. Carroll were here last evening.

—Arthur L. Clifton of Chicago, our one time citizen, is at the Nachusa House.

—Miss Sadie Shenk is entertaining her cousin, Miss Anna Grob of Lincoln, Nebraska.

—Advertisements changed this evening: Dixon Music Co.; John D. Parsons & Co.

—Mrs. A. S. Hyde is entertaining her cousin, Mrs. Neusem, of Cedar Rapids, Iowa

—Mrs. E. A. Morse is out from Chicago on a visit with her mother, Mrs. G. L. Schuler.

—There is a new little girl at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Wood in North Dixon.

—Rev. A. Bickenback and family returned today from a pleasant visit with friends at Lyons, Iowa.

—Heavy rains north have swelled Rock river to goodly proportions again. The dam is completely covered.

—Wind and rain played havoc at Mendota yesterday. A tree was blown down and sent crashing into a house.

—R. C. Sattley, civil engineer of the C. & N. W. is here from Wheaton on business with Agent F. L. Murray.

—Our readers will do well by reading C. S. Raymond's bill folded in this evening's paper, if they are looking for bargains.

—Mrs. Joseph Knodle of Oregon, Ogle county, is here on a visit with relatives. She departs for California in a few days.

—Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Petersberger and children are expected home this evening from an outing in the Wisconsin Lake country.

—John Robinson, of Manistique, Michigan, arrived yesterday in time to attend the funeral of his step-father, the late J. M. Mason.

—From large bills posted about our city advertising a Catholic picnic at Anderson's Grove, Ohio, Illinois, we see that Miss Gertrude Hatch is to read several selections on that occasion and a graduate of the Northern Illinois Normal School will deliver an address.

—A farmer in Maine not having a good opinion of banks he kept his money in the barn. In one bag he had \$200 in gold coin and in another \$200 in silver coin. The barn burned down, as barns do. For the melted gold the farmer received \$200, while for the melted silver the very best he could do was \$120.

—The Democrats are already repudiating, publicly, the Chicago platform, and arranging what they call a compromise, by advocating free, but not unlimited coinage of silver, in order to win certain gold Democrats back to party allegiance. It is said that Democratic funds are lacking and something must be done.

—A pleasure loving party of Whiteside county people have started by wagon with camping outfit for the lake country and Dells of Wisconsin. They will be absent two weeks. The trip is being taken solely for pleasure, there will be no hurry and the party will experience the joys of unconventional life in the open air.

—The Louisville Courier-Journal, a leading Democratic paper of the South has elevated its spine on the Populistic free silver question. It says: "The people of the United States are not devoid of common sense, nor have they lost their marvellous political sagacity. They crushed know-nothingism forty years ago; they routed greenbackism twenty years back; they scorched the snake of anarchy a decade ago, and again two years back and they will put down the silver conspirators."

—The threatening storm of Wednesday evening passed north of us, and from the rise in the river it is evident that much rain fell. In Rockford for over an hour it came down in sheets, deluging the city. The rain was accompanied by a most brilliant and dangerous electrical display, bolts falling in great profusion throughout the city. No one was hurt, though lightning struck the house of Frank Kelly, a C. M. & St. P. conductor, tearing a big hole in the roof. A barn was also struck and consumed not far from the city.

Closing Day of the Teachers' Institute.

This afternoon the teachers of the Lee County Institute have finished up their week's work and returned to their homes. Nearly two hundred and fifty in all have been in attendance during the week. This morning at the opening a musical and literary program was had by way of variety, as follows:

Song by male quartette: "Tenting on the Old Camp Ground." G. N. Snapp, Lena H. M. Sheets, Dixon W. C. Smith, Warren P. Jorgison, Waukegan
Recitation—"The Civil War".....P. L. Jorgison
Recitation—"The Tramp Musician".....Rastus Ditto
Solo—"Call Me Back".....W. C. Smith
Encore—"The Song that Reached my Heart".....W. C. Smith
Recitation—"Old Ace".....H. M. Sheets
Encore—"The man who Apologized".....
Recitation—"The Ship of Faith".....G. N. Snapp
Song—"Carve Dat Possum".....Male Quartet
Recitation—"A Bonbastic Address to a Jury".....W. C. Smith

The program was well rendered and well received throughout; the singing of Mr. Smith being especially worthy of note.

Lucile Merrow of Amboy was the pianist of this morning's session.

The afternoon exercises were opened by singing and the Institute was addressed by County Superintendent Edwards.

Schools and teachers will be supplied with monthly report cards, course of study, classification registers, etc.

Number enrolled last year, 177; this year, 226; the largest number enrolled in the history of Lee county.

Number that did not miss a recitation last year 22; this year 48.

Superintendent Edwards is endeavoring to make the schools and teachers of this county rank with any in this part of the state.

The following Committee on Resolutions was appointed: Prof. M. L. Lyons of Ashton, Prof. F. E. Stiles, West Brooklyn; and L. T. Preston, Nachusa. This committee reported a series of resolutions, which were passed, but have not yet been furnished us; after which the Institute adjourned.

Blaine and Free Silver.

Our thanks are due the Sun for giving a fair report from Blaine's speech delivered in 1888 on the currency question. Had Mr. Ladd quoted as fairly there would have been no cause for a wrangle between THE TELEGRAPH and SUN in that matter. Our neighbor says that we did not give enough of Blaine's speech to convey fairly his meaning. Perhaps that is true. We copied from an exchange; but the thing we desired to show is the fact that Blaine was not for free silver as Mr. Ladd endeavored falsely to make his audience believe. The Sun's report of Mr. Blaine's speech sustains our report.

We would add that if Blaine did refer to the act of 1853 as the time when silver was scolded demonetized he was not well up on the coinage laws, and made a blunder that such men rarely make. However a great many statesmen have only recently discovered that the "crime of 1873" was actually committed in 1853 and that silver was demonetized by Thomas Jefferson, the founder of the Democratic party, as early as 1806.

Business Makes Money.

It is not money that makes business. It is business that makes money. In 1892, during Harrison's administration, business was good, and money was abundant. Every thoughtful person old enough to vote knows that to be the truth. The Democrats promised to make business better; free trade would give us the markets of the world, and business would be doubled. But free trade ruined the business of this country, and made business better in foreign countries because the work that should be done by Americans for Americans was done by foreigners, and employment was difficult to obtain in America, and if obtained at all was at lower wages. As plenty of money was not paid out in doing business in this country, it did not circulate freely among the people, and money was not so abundant as in good Republican times when business was good. Think the matter over. Millions of money lying idle and not employed in business would do no one any good, and money would be scarce because business would not put it in circulation among the people. After all it is business that makes money abundant and easy to get hold of, and it is not money that makes business.

Mt. Morris vs. Dixon.

Yesterday at Mt. Morris our boys were worsted in a ball game 20 to 6. Neither Will Vaughn nor Bert nor Jack Null went up and the nine was filled out by the little mascot Lou Null who played center field and Frank Welch at right field. Frank Welch starred himself by catching several flies and as many mosquitoes, while it is reported that Ed. Rosenthal pitched several innings with great success to the home nine.

A Big Kite.

Ex-Alderman Nicholas Plein is interested in kites and that means that kites go in his neighborhood. Last night a large one was sent up, but its frame was too weak and a calapse occurred. One is being made today of hardwood that stands sixteen feet high and is nine feet across. It will carry a tail one hundred and fifty-three feet long. Mr. Plein's workman "Arthur" is the architect and he learned the kite art in Germany. Justice Steward and Ira Coakley are watching the business, hoping that one can be made large enough to signal the inhabitants of Mars.

Globe Trotters.

Two pedestrians, who started from Germany in April, passed through our city last evening on their journey west. The young men have made a wager that they will complete the circumnavigation of the globe by April 12, 1898. Furthermore they are required to earn their expenses during the trip, and walk when not crossing the ocean.

Waldo Adam's Case.

Wednesday evening Waldo Adams of West First street went to bed apparently well, but when the morning came he could not arise nor speak; his right side was paralyzed. Last night he was in a bad condition from nervousness and tossed about the bed so violently that it became necessary to hold him. His serious condition is attributed to the intense heat of the past week.

—The Alumni of the N. I. N. S. will hold its annual meeting in Chapel Hall with a banquet at the Nachusa House next Monday evening. Music will be furnished by the Dixon Mandolin Club, and the annual address will be delivered by L. A. Vignes of the class of '89. Toasts and responses from President J. C. Flint, Alice Payte, W. F. Strong, J. B. Dille, F. E. Rice, A. J. Gray, Mrs. Heritage, E. E. Kent, A. H. Beaver, Judge Watts, F. C. Weber, and Mrs. Boucher will conclude the evening's entertainment.

—"The crime of '73" did not go into effect practically until the resumption of specie payment in 1879. From 1879 to 1890 while under a strictly and purely gold standard the proportion of the products of our factories increased from 18 to more than 24 per cent, and the wages of labor rose in the same decade full 30 per cent.

DISLIKE NEW CLOTHES.

Trainers of Animals Run Risks In Appearing In Them.

"It is a strange thing," said a well known trainer of animals, "how many outbreaks and accidents have resulted from a trainer wearing a strange costume. Quite recently a lady performer who had made some alterations in her dress had a narrow escape. The tiger with whom she usually appeared turned sulky from the start, and at last absolutely refused to do one of the tricks. Its mistress urged and threatened to no purpose, and finally attempted to use the whip. The moment she attempted to do so the infuriated animal flew at her, and if it had not been for a board which was performing with them, Miss S. would probably have lost her life. The brave dog snapped at the tiger and distracted its attention until his mistress had succeeded in making her escape. Unfortunately he was injured by the tiger's claws."

"How do you account for such outbreaks?"

"The tiger evidently did not recognize his mistress in her change of costume. As a rule, very few alterations are made. The same dog always appears in the same act, and so on, the idea of acquaintance and familiarity thus being maintained. Why, even if a hat or a wrap happens to lie within reach outside the arena the animal is sure to see it at once, and if it can get at it will promptly tear it to pieces."

"Have there been many such accidents recently?"

"About a year ago a lion tamer in New York wore a full dress suit instead of his usual military costume at one of the performances. As soon as the lion saw the change of clothing he made direct at him. Now lions do not, like tigers, try to kill instantly, but strike out with their paws to knock their enemy down. In this case the lion's claws caught the tamer's face, inflicting severe injuries. But he is still at the business, though the scars of the struggle are very plainly visible."

"Do these outbreaks ever have fatal results?"

"Sometimes. Another lady performer made an alteration in her dress that displeased the tiger with whom she was acting, whereupon the savage beast pounced upon her, killing her instantly. This animal has never been allowed to perform since."—Nineteenth Century.

Finding a Verdict.

A Texas paper says that in one of the earliest trials before a colored jury in Texas the 12 gentlemen were told by the judge to "retire and find the verdict." They went into the jury room, whence the opening and shutting of doors and other sounds of unusual commotion were presently heard. At last the jury came back into court, when the foreman announced: "We hab looked ever'whar, judge, for dat verdict—in de drawers and behind de doabs, but it ain't nowhar in dat blessed room."

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HENDRIX'S WITTY SPEECH.

HE MAKES A HUMOROUS SPEECH
ON MONEY TO MOROCCO
MANUFACTURERS.

Glad They Are Not Asking to Have Leather
Remonetized—Tells Why Clam Shells
Were Demonetized—Civilization and Evolu-
tion Advancing Toward a Single Stand-
ard in Everything—Faith in American
Intelligence.

The Shoe and Leather Reporter pub-
lishes the following speech made by the
Hon. Joseph C. Hendrix at the dinner
of the National Morocco Manufacturers' as-
sociation of the United States at Man-
hattan Beach early this month:

MR. PRESIDENT AND GENTLEMEN—I
am glad to see you, "men of small
brains and large capital." I am glad al-
ways to face successful men in an Amer-
ican industry. You represent a trade
which years ago furnished material for
the money instrument. There was
leather money once and plenty of it.
You have never set up any cry because
of the demonetization of leather, never
asked redress for the "crime" of the
abandonment of the use of leather as
money. You do not now ask for its re-
monetization.

Mr. Stein—Nor for free tannage.
Mr. Hendrix—No! Therefore, I have
great respect for two people, the North
American Indian and the morocco man-
ufacturer. Along these sand dunes from
Manhattan to Montauk point, the anti-
quarian can point to great heaps of
shells where the old squaws used to sit
and practice the free coinage of wam-
pum. After awhile a smart Yankee in-
vented a turning lathe which trans-
formed the clam shells into money too
fast. This led to the demonetization of
the Long Island clam. [Laughter.] The
poor Indian has passed off to the plains
and we hear no more of the free coinage
of clams.

These are simply evolutionary steps.
You look back to the beginnings of
your industry and marvel at the changes.
The world advances. Civilization re-
fines. Commerce requires exact terms
and measures. It insists upon certainty,
fixity in the standard of values. It must
have something upon which it can de-
pend. It has found out that it must de-
pend upon some one thing. That is why
it has veered to the single standard. It
has quit stepping from one standard to
the other. It makes its election. It votes
for gold because of its great value in
small compass and because of the fixity
of that value. So it is that one great
nation after another, under the com-
mand of its best intelligence, has come
to the gold standard. It is because they
have found it the cheapest, best and
most effective standard by which to
measure all values.

What does a standard mean? What is
its primary significance? It comes from
an old Latin word meaning something
to turn to. When you are in doubt you
go to the standard. I don't care what
line of business you are in or what
course of life you pursue, a standard
governs it somehow or other. You ride
on a railway on a standard gauge, you
sit at a table of a standard height, and
go on through the list. The standard
must be the thing it stands for. If you
have a standard of weight, it may be of
diamonds or precious stones, but it has
got to have weight—that is the first
thing. If you have a standard of length,
it must have length. And when you
come to the question of the standard of
value, whatever it is made of it has
got to have value.

You can talk about the whole ques-
tion of finance in 100 different lights.
But this is the main point—you must
have a standard of value. That standard
must have value. We choose for the
standard the metal which fluctuates the
least in value. That is the whole story
of the gold standard. [Cheers.]

Our friends out in Chicago claim
that the gold standard is a British pol-
icy which we are seeking to enforce in
this country. Did you ever hear any-
thing about British policy in connection
with the law of gravitation or a British
policy of good health against bad health
—good clothes against shoddy? There
are good countries in the world besides
Great Britain. We do not have to look
to Great Britain to know what is a good
thing. [Great applause.] We are old
enough and big enough to know a good
thing when we see it. Ours is a country
that for 60 years has been under the
gold standard. You have never known
anything else. All you have was built
upon the gold standard. The greatness
and development of this country have
been attained under that standard. How
is the world lining up on this question?
China, Japan and Mexico are for free
silver. Great Britain, Germany, France
and the great empires of Europe are for
gold. Where do we belong? There is
only one answer. Can any one fancy
that our great population, made up of
70,000,000 of the best examples of the
Anglo-Saxon race, mixed with Irish
wit, Scotch cunning, German thrift,
is going to step from the high plane
where we stand to the lower one be-
neath? What strange madness has come
into the American people to make it
seem possible that they could do a thing
of that kind? [Applause.]

We can live on a silver basis after
we get there. Our great rivers will fol-
low their courses to the sea. God's sun
will kiss the earth. The crops will
spring forth. Children will be born and
grow up. Enterprises will go forward.
But we are going to take the leap in the
dark and try an experiment fraught
with such risk and panic? A great
French economist once said that when
he was 40, he thought he understood
something about finance. When he was
60, he felt he did not know as much
about it as he did at 40, and at 70 he
began to doubt whether he knew any-
thing about it at all, and scarcely dared
to open his mouth. Mr. Gladstone pon-
dered over the question till he said that

it seemed almost to defy human intel-
lect, but Ben Tillman, from South Car-
olina, knows that the goldbugs of Wall
street and vampires of Lombard street
are "agin the farmer," and the way the
farmer can get even is to cut his dollar
in two. [Applause.]

We are living in a grand and awful
time. But the newspapers are printed
every day, and the Americans are not
asleep. The brain of the American peo-
ple is not dull. Their hearts are not dis-
honest. These heresies come and go as
the tide flows, and sometimes in the
thickest of the night we may not appear
to see the stars that are shining. But
you remember on one historic occasion,
when the sky was all covered with fog,
some one asked, "Oh, say, can you see
by the dawn's early light the star span-
gled banner yet waving?" And it was
there! [Enthusiastic cheers.]

SOME POOR DEBTORS.

Great Corporations Which Free Silver
Would Enable to Cheat Their Creditors
Out of Half of the Money Borrowed.

The free silver agitators claim to be
working in the interest of the debtors
of the country, whom they represent as
being a large number of poor persons.
The creditor class is denounced as a
small number of greedy bankers and
monopolists, banded together for the
purpose of oppressing the masses of the
people. Repudiation of debts is openly
advocated by the silverite and Populist
press on the ground that the men who
borrow money are more numerous than
the men who lend. The belief that in
some way free coinage will benefit poor
debtors by injuring rich creditors is at
the bottom of nine-tenths of all the de-
mands for cheap money.

The falsity of assertions that a scheme
to pay debts in 50 cent dollars would
help the poor and hurt only the rich
can be easily seen by looking at a few
of the prominent debtors of the country.
Among the great corporations which
would be able to pay off their bonded
indebtedness in dollars worth 50 cents
are the following:

	Bonded indebtedness.
Chicago, Burlington and Quincy	\$102,000,000
Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul	62,000,000
Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific	72,000,000
Delaware, Lackawanna and Western	48,000,000
Lake Shore and Michigan Central	46,000,000
New York Central	68,000,000
New York, New Haven and Hartford	18,000,000
Norfolk and Western	42,000,000
Central Railroad of New Jersey	19,000,000
Chicago and Northwestern	73,000,000

Here are ten poor debtors whose obli-
gations of \$545,000,000 are payable in
coin—not gold. Under a free coinage
law these corporations could pay the
thousands of persons who hold their
bonds, many of them held by savings
banks, insurance companies, people of
small means, etc., in \$272,500,000
worth of silver. And this is called a re-
form in the interest of the masses.

Low interest rates on farm mortgages
under free silver is the bait which has
caught a good many honest farmers.
They will go back to sound money prin-
ciples when they understand that inter-
est rates are far lower in gold standard
nations than in silver basis countries.



What 16 to 1 Means.

It means that 16 ounces of silver for
debt paying purposes shall be made, by
law, worth as much as 1 ounce of gold.

One ounce of gold will now coin
\$18.60. Sixteen ounces of silver shall
be made to coin \$18.60.

You can buy in any market today 16
ounces of silver for \$9.94. The profit is
87 per cent, or \$8.66.

In other words, if a man borrows of
you today \$18.60 he can pay you, if
"free silver at 16 to 1" becomes a law,
with \$9.94.

Look out that it doesn't!

Silver is merely a commodity, like
tin, iron or wood.

If the government should say \$9.94
worth of wood shall cost \$18.60, would
you buy it? Certainly not.

The silver dollar today is worth 53
cents. Its present ratio to gold is about
31 to 1. All the governments in the
world cannot change the commercial
value of silver any more than that of
coal, iron, tin or copper!

The more silver produced the cheaper
it will get!

Would England, France or Germany
take in payment of debt from us for
\$18.60, \$9.94, simply because our gov-
ernment said that \$9.94 worth of silver
is worth \$18.60 of gold?

Certainly not! No more than you
would accept such a settlement of a per-
sonal debt.

A standard of exchange must be co-
extensive with the commercial world
and acceptable to all concerned.

Prophecy and History.

Why don't our silver friends stop tel-
ling what is going to happen if they
have their way and content themselves
by learning what did happen when other
nations had a similar epidemic of silver
lunacy such as now menaces us? Their
prophecies won't accomplish anything,
because they wish it, but stern reality
will repeat the disasters with us that it
inflicted on others if we persist in our
willful blindness.—George Gans.

An honest dollar is the noblest work
of finance.

ROYAL PAGES.

Qualifications Necessary to Candidates For
a Highly Valued Preferment.

"The pretty page with the dimpled
chin," so sweetly sung of by the poet,
and who constituted one of the most
picturesque figures of mediæval times,
still survives.

Royal and imperial pages range in
age from 12 to 16 years. They are ap-
pointed by the sovereign, enjoy pay pre-
rogatives and perquisites much as do the
grown up attendants on royalty and are
prescribed certain definite duties. The
duties are possibly no more important
than in the days of yore, when there
was no postal service and the lovelorn
princess was forced to rely upon the se-
crecy and fidelity of her page for the
conveyance of messages of her knight
or troubadour. But tact and discretion
in performing them are probably more
necessary now than ever, owing to the
popular craving for information of this
kind from the pages by persons who
imagine that because they are young
their tongues are likely to be loose.

To toughen them against such at-
tempts and qualify them for this service
the royal pages are subjected to very
careful training. At the court of St.
Petersburg, for instance, there is a regu-
lar college of pages, where they are
educated and maintained at the expense
of the crown.

Gentle birth is the first qualification
for the post of royal page. At the courts
of Vienna and Munich an ancestry of
no less than 16 generations free from
any plebeian strain on either father's or
mother's side is required in the candi-
dates. In England and Russia nobility
is not demanded. The pages of honor in
the court of Queen Victoria are gener-
ally sons of distinguished officers of the
army or of high dignitaries of the royal
household.

On state occasions they wear gorgeous
uniforms of blue and silver, and many
a fair American who has been presented
at one of the drawing rooms of Queen
Victoria will recall to mind the appear-
ance which they presented standing
slightly behind her majesty or behind
the Princess of Wales when the latter
officiated in the place of her illustrious
mother-in-law. In fact, their duties are
limited to attendance upon royalty at
drawing rooms, state concerts, state
balls and royal weddings.

At the courts of Berlin and Vienna
the pages figure at all state ceremonies,
clad like those of England in blue and
silver. At the court banquets they stand
behind the chairs of the royal and im-
perial personages. These personages on
rising from the table sometimes address
a few kindly words to the boys and pre-
sent them with sweetmeats. Indeed, the
late Emperor Frederick was wont to
amuse himself by cramming their
mouths full of bonbons until they could
not speak and then plying them with
questions demanding an immediate an-
swer or else cracking jokes that were
sure to make them laugh.

These pages were chosen for the oc-
casion only from among the best looking
boys of the school of cadets at Berlin
and from the imperial Theresianum col-
lege at Vienna, all the members of
which are of noble birth. These schools
resemble the American West Point, but
the pupils enter at the age of 14 and
receive commissions as officers at a much
earlier age than in this country.

At the court of St. Petersburg the
corps of pages is a sort of imperial
school, where a number of lads, sons of
noblemen and state dignitaries, both
civil and military, are educated at the
czar's expense and under his supervision.
On attaining their eighteenth year they
usually obtain commissions as officers of
the regiment of chevalier guards. The
czarina maintains a similar institution
for girls, who on graduating receive the
titular appointment of maid of honor to
her majesty.—Chicago Record.

The Wheel's Gear.

The gear is one of the most important
things to be looked after in the wheel's
running qualities. Each person must
decide for herself how high or how low
it should be for her comfort. The word
refers always to the diameter of the
rear wheel—that is, a 60 gear means
that the machine is arranged to have
the rear wheel revolve as though it were
60 inches in diameter. This is accom-
plished by means of the chain turning
over a large sprocket in the front and a
small one in the rear. The varying pro-
portions of the numbers of teeth on the
two sprockets produce the variations in
gear. For 28 inch wheels, which are
now almost universally used, the gear
60 will be obtained if there are 15 teeth
on the front and 7 on the rear sprock-
et. Thirteen and 6 and 19 and 9 will
also approximate 60. I mention 60
because that, or about 63, is the favorite
gear. Formerly women's wheels were
never geared higher than 56, unless by
special order. The higher the gear the
fewer revolutions of the pedals are need-
ed, but of course proportionately more
strength must be put into each push. In
going at considerable speed the motion
is more graceful where the gear is rather
high. Climbing hills is pretty stiff work
with a high gear, and it is always best
not to go to either an extreme or the
other.

To find the gear of a bicycle when
you do not know it multiply the diam-
eter of the rear wheel by the number
of teeth on the front sprocket, and di-
vide the result by the number of teeth
on the rear sprocket.—Detroit Free
Press.

Agricultural Uses of Bacteria.

It is known that the flavor of butter
and of different kinds of cheese is due
to various bacterial ferments, and there
is good reason to suppose that a better
product and greater uniformity would
be attained by the use of pure cultures of
the species upon which special flavors
depend. I understand that in this coun-
try quite a number of dairies are now
using pure cultures of a certain bacillus
(bacillus 41 of Conn) for giving flavor
to their product. It is probable that
similar methods will soon be introduced
in the cheesemaking industry. A recent
English publication, which I have not
yet seen, is entitled "Broad, Bakhouses

and Bacteria." It will no doubt be
found to contain information of practi-
cal value to those engaged in bread-
making.

Agricultural chemists predict that in
the near future cultures of the nitrify-
ing bacteria of the soil will be made on
a large scale for the use of farmers, who
will add them to manures for the pur-
pose of fixing the ammonia, or perhaps
will distribute them directly upon the
soil. Should this prove to be a success-
ful and economic procedure, the extent
of the interests involved will make it
a "practical result" of the first impor-
tance. Another application of our recent-
ly acquired knowledge which has al-
ready proved useful to farmers in cer-
tain parts of Europe relates to the de-
struction of field mice by distributing
in the grainfields bread moistened with
a culture of a bacillus which causes a
fatal infectious disease among these lit-
tle animals.—Popular Science Monthly.

The Yukon Miners.

The United States does not recognize,
protect or control these mining com-
munities in any way. No geological ex-
plorations or surveys have been under-
taken, and there are no official reports
upon the location, formation, develop-
ment or yield of this rich placer region.
There are no military posts and not a
territorial or federal officer in Yukon,
Alaska, save one customs inspector and
postmaster. There is no law, save as
the miners maintain their own unwrit-
ten code. Church missionary societies
have provided for the few peaceable In-
dian tribes, but even spiritual comfort
is withheld from the miners. "Heaven
is high, and the czar is far off," despair-
ing Russian colonists used to say long
ago. Since the military occupation of
Alaska ceased in 1877 frequent appeals
have been made for the establishment of
a garrison at Chilkat and the construc-
tion of a military road over the pass
traversed by Yukon miners for the last
16 years. General Miles once considered
the matter to the extent of detailing an
officer to make a reconnaissance.—Eliza
R. Seidmore in Century.

HIS \$100,000 BANK ACCOUNT.

What Happened When a Capitalist Sud-
denly Met His Bank's Paying Teller.

A paying teller of a down town bank
tells an interesting story of a Cuban ex-
perience of his. "I shall never forget,"
he said, "how I nearly sent a man into
fits one day last winter, all because I
met him unexpectedly.

"I had been planning a little jaunt
down to Cuba for some time. As it was
doubtful when I should be able to get
away from the bank I said nothing about
it to my friends or the bank's customers.
I had been instrumental in getting a
good sized account for the bank—one of
those \$100,000 ones that are hard to
pick up nowadays and worth quite a
good deal of money to us. I knew the
head of this concern, and, in fact, had
got the account through him. He told
us when he gave it to us that he was in
a hurry to get it fixed satisfactorily be-
cause he was about to go to Cuba.

"As soon as I was able to get away I
sailed for Havana. I staid in the island
nearly a month, having a most deligh-
tful time and keeping one eye open for
my friend of our new account. I was
just about ready to start for home when
I met him, quite by chance, in one of
the Havana shops. When he saw me he
jumped back about five feet, as if he
had been shot from out of a gun.

"God bless my soul—you here?" he
said. "Why, what?" He seemed struck
all in a heap. "You here? Good heav-
ens!" I had to laugh, and laugh hard at
that, for I knew what was troubling
him. He was thinking of that \$100,000
balance, and worrying about it—a little.
You see, as I was the paying teller of
the bank, the thought naturally flashed
through his mind that I had skipped
with the bank's funds and a large slice
of his hundred thousand.

"Of course, as soon as he saw me
laugh and his excitement had cooled
down a little he began to see the fun of
the thing and that he and the bank were
safe, after all. We found out we were
going home on the same steamer and
ten minutes later we walked over to the
American consul's office together and
got our passports vised. And we had a
jolly time of it back on the boat."—
New York World.

Great Men and the Presidency.

There is nothing more pathetic in our
history than the successive disappoint-
ments of great men in the matter of the
presidency. They have dedicated their
lives to the service of the country with
the belief that their labors would surely
bring them what they earned, but after
all their endeavors, they have been dis-
appointed and the prize has gone to
men of inferior merits, as if in contempt
of the rules of justice and propriety.
There is no way to explain this curious
irony of destiny. We only know that it
is a part of the established order of
things, and no man is great enough to
be exempt from it.

In a sense, men of superior ability are
always at a disadvantage, by reason of
the envy that they provoke and the hos-
tility that they excite, but this should
not be sufficient to deprive them of what
rightfully belongs to them, as the presi-
dency certainly has rightfully belonged
to a number of men who have not been
able to obtain it.

The tendency of such a form of gov-
ernment as ours should be to reward
public men according to their true de-
serts and to keep the highest office filled
with the best examples of current
greatness, but the truth is that it does
not thus justify itself.—St. Louis Globe-
Democrat.

Solitude relieves us when we are sick
of company, and conversation when we
are weary of being alone, so that the
one cures the other. There is no man so
miserable as he that is at a loss to use
his time.—Seneca.

No married subject in Austria can
procure a passport to go beyond the
frontier unless he can produce a written
consent from his wife.

THE HOUSEHOLD.

The Lobster and Some Ways of Using
Him—New Designs in Denims.
Some Savory Things to Eat.

The lobster is a very popular article
of food, especially during the summer
days, when his relative, the oyster, is
not at his best. The lobster has the ad-
vantage in that he can be transported
to almost any distance, can be kept
alive till wanted for immediate use,
and then being plunged into boiling
water as a cooking process is at once
ready for consumption. He comes to the
table fresh and perfect. He is also ca-
pable of being canned and made very
serviceable in that form, though, like
all other canned goods, there are not the
flavor and sweetness about what our
English friends would call the "tinned
article" that there is about the meat
freshly prepared.

The adult lobster usually weighs
from 1½ to 5 or 6 pounds, but instances
are related of individual specimens
weighing up to 30 pounds. For food
purposes the smaller, firm meat spec-
imens are to be preferred, the flesh of
the larger being frequently coarse and
less finely flavored. The best portion of
the meat is found in the large claws,
though all parts are edible except the
stomach, which is a small, hard sack
lying directly under the head and con-
taining poisonous matter, and the small
dark vein running the length of the
tail, which is also accounted poisonous,
and at any rate is liable to cause sick-
ness if eaten.

A favorite salad is made of fresh boiled
lobster and crisp lettuce leaves, with
mayonnaise dressing, but there are
many other ways in which lobster meat
is delectable. In this connection Good
Housekeeping gives a few recipes, in-
cluding the following:

Deviled Lobster.—This is to be baked
in the shells, and the most convenient
way is to take two lobsters, each weigh-
ing about two pounds. In removing the
meat, after boiling, do not break the body
or tail shells, which should be washed
and dried. With a sharp pair of scissors
trim out the inside of the tail shell and
fit it to the body shell. Cut the meat
into small pieces. In a double boiler
over the fire put 2 cupfuls of cream.
While this is heating mix 2 tablespoon-
fuls each of butter and flour, a level
tablespoonful of mustard and a sprink-
ling, according to taste, of cayenne
pepper. Stir with this 2 tablespoonfuls
of the boiling cream; then turn the
mixture into the boiling cream and cook
for five minutes. Add the minced lob-
ster, salt to the taste and remove from
the fire. Put the mixture into the lob-
ster shells, cover the top with fine bread
crumbs and dot with small pieces of
butter. Place the filled shells in a pan,
so arranged that they will not get out
of position, and bake till the crumbs are
brown. They should be neatly served
on a fish platter.

Curry of Lobster.—Cut into inch
pieces the meat of a medium sized lob-
ster. Place in a saucepan 3 tablespo-
onfuls of butter and an onion sliced fine.
Stir till the butter is melted and the
onion slightly browned; then stir in 2
tablespoonfuls of flour and a dessert
spoonful of curry powder. When well
blended, add slowly a scant pint of
stock, with salt and cayenne pepper to
the taste. Strain the sauce over the lob-
ster, simmer over the fire for five min-
utes and serve on toast.

The Pretty New Denims.

There has been no season for years
past that has catered so much for sum-
mer appointments as this one. For
lounges or sofas we have the denims in
pale shades of green. The new covers
are loose, and in the middle is a medall-
ion of linen, etched in a floral or con-
vention design. This is ornamented
with narrow linen braid or couched in
graceful lines, forming an artistic cen-
terpiece. With this come pillows to
match of the same material and in the
same design—also table covers—the
whole forming an admirable device for
this cool summer room.

Pillows of denim in green, blue and
old rose are particularly good if well
ruffled and with conventional designs
in white, says The Decorator and Fur-
nisher.

A Tomato Omelet.

A tomato omelet would require a
good sized tomato, 3 eggs, a tiny bit of
chopped onion and 1½ ounces of butter.
Put the tomato into a basin of boiling
water for a few minutes and then skin
it and cut it up into little pieces, mix-
ing with it the chopped up onion. Then
take the eggs and beat up the yolks and
whites separately and mix the toma-
to, onion, pepper and salt with the
yolks. Put the butter into an omelet
pan and let it get quite hot. Then stir
in quickly the beaten up whites of the
eggs with the yolks and pour the united
mixture into the pan. Cook for about
three minutes, stirring all the time.

Blackberry Cordial.

An English recipe for blackberry cor-
dial is to put in a pan 2 quarts of black-
berry juice and 2 pounds of lump sugar,
with half ounce each of cinnamon, nut-
meg, allspice and a little less of cloves.
Let all stand together for several hours,
then bring it to a boil very slowly and
let it simmer for 20 minutes, skimming
it carefully and repeatedly. Let it get
quite cold, then add a quart of very
good brandy and keep some months be-
fore using. The quantity of spice may
be altered to suit various tastes. Only
the best fruit should be used, and it
should be carefully filtered before bot-
tling.

Tutti Frutti Jelly.

Put half a box of gelatin to soak in
half a pint of cold water. Dissolve in a
pint of boiling water. Add the juice of
3 lemons, three-quarters of a pound of
sugar and strain. When it begins to set,
put a layer of jelly on the bottom of a
mold, then a layer of sliced bananas,
then a layer of jelly, next a layer of
sliced oranges, another layer of jelly, a
layer of peaches. The last layer should
be of jelly.

PAN.
Hush! Pan is sleeping.
In forest deep on leafy bed.
Oh, softly tread!
Hum lullaby, O drowsy bee!
In charmed silence every tree
His watch is keeping.
Oh, softly tread; great Pan is sleeping.
Hark! Pan is waking.
A shiver through the leaves is creeping
Before the breeze.
Oh, see the hamadryads peeping
Behind the trees!
Their trunks glow ruddy in the sun.
And, hark! the blackbirds one by one
The silence breaking
With flute-like note, for Pan is waking.
—Ethel R. Barker in Academy.

A LITTLE MISTAKE.

That doctors commit mistakes is not generally known, although cases from time to time find their way into the newspapers. Dr. Carpenter, who may be said to have introduced the scientific study of human physiology into England, burned himself to death while attempting to take a Turkish bath in his own room by enveloping himself in a blanket and sitting over a spirit lamp. However, when a man poisons himself it is his own peculiar business which is involved, but when he takes to poisoning others, not with any malicious intent, but simply in error, a natural apprehension may well pervade the public mind. Protection in the matter is extremely simple, as the following narrative will show:

About 8 o'clock on a June evening a victoria drawn by a pair of high-stepping bay horses drove up to a celebrated chemist's shop in Bond street, and an elegantly dressed lady of about 25 years of age descended from the carriage. She walked hurriedly through the shop into the dispensing department, and, throwing a piece of paper on the counter, said:

"Please make up this prescription and send it at once. I would wait and take it myself, but I am just going out to dinner. It is very important."

The assistant bowed, took up the prescription and then seemed to hesitate.

"Well," said the lady, who seemed of a highly nervous, irritable disposition, "well, what is the matter?"

"I am afraid, madam," returned the assistant, "that I cannot dispense this prescription."

"Oh, nonsense!" replied the lady. "That is what they said at — in Mayfair, so I brought it on here. I suppose Dr. Blank knows what he prescribes."

"Doubtless, madam; but, although Dr. Blank is one of the most eminent of his profession, I dare not make up this prescription, as the strength at which the drug is here ordered is not allowed by the British pharmacopoeia."

"Oh, nonsense!" repeated the lady, commencing to patter on the floor with her small foot. "This is monstrous. Here is my husband waiting for medicine of the utmost importance to his condition, and two chemists' assistants think they know better what is good for him than one of the leading men of the College of Physicians. Give me the prescription, and I will get it prepared elsewhere." The assistant was loath to part with the paper.

"If you will allow me, madam," he said, "I will take a cab to Dr. Blank's, and if he confirms the prescription I will then prepare it."

"No, I will not," returned the lady, who was now in a state of extreme irritation. "I will not. My husband is in a serious condition, and I shall be late for dinner. I have already lost half an hour, and I cannot lose further delay." With that she snatched up the prescription and hurried out.

The assistant was seriously perturbed. The mistake in the prescription was a grave one—so grave indeed that the administration of a single dose would probably prove fatal within two hours. It was possible that some young or inexperienced assistant at some small chemist's, overawed by the great name of the physician and by the lady's imperious manner and elegant attire and equipage, would be found to dispense it. Then trouble would ensue, which might be stopped now. Thinking thus, the assistant told his fellow worker in the dispensary that he would go to Dr. Blank's, and, hurrying into Bond street, jumped into the first passing hansom, and in five minutes was ringing the bell of the doctor's house in Harley street. The footman who opened the door said Dr. Blank was out.

"Where was he?"

"Really the footman did not know. Very important, was it?"

Ah! Well, then, he (the footman) must inquire. This he leisurely proceeded to do. And the chemist's assistant, who was of an imaginative turn, amused himself by picturing meanwhile the death of the patient; the professional ruin of himself, the Mayfair chemist and the great physician; the grief and self-reproach of the lady, who, despite her wayward, irritable and careless demeanor, was evidently fond of her husband. And he had already arrived at the coroner's jury's verdict of manslaughter when the footman returned with the intelligence that his master was dining in Maida Vale. The cab soon whirled the errant knight of the pestle and mortar into the Edgeware road and drew up at one of the large houses which lie on the right hand side of Maida Vale immediately after passing the canal. Dinner was evidently in full progress, and the footman showed the assistant into an anteroom with no very good grace. Here another wait occurred, which preyed on the already irritated nerves of our friend even more than the previous one at Harley street. At last the door opened, and the doctor entered. He was a dapper little man, about 5 feet 5 in height, with a pale, thin face and hair mustache the color of tow. His clear, steel blue gray eyes saved his appearance from being insignificant. He looked inquiringly at the assistant, who, bowing, said:

"I am a dispenser, sir, at Messrs. —. At about 8 o'clock this evening a lady, Mrs. —, presented a prescription

signed by you in which potassi arsenica was ordered in three dram doses."

"Good God!" cried the physician. "Is it possible?"

"There can be no doubt of it," replied the assistant, "as the prescription was refused by another chemist."

The doctor walked hurriedly up and down the room.

"Can it have been altered?" he muttered.

"I looked carefully for that, but there was not the slightest sign of an erasure. No, sir," continued the assistant. "I am afraid it is a little mistake on your part. I only fear that it may be made up and administered, and I therefore went at once to your house, and, learning where you were, came on here."

"Quite right, quite right," said the doctor. "Have you a cab waiting? That's well. I'll go with you at once to the patient."

It took but a few minutes for the doctor to make his excuses and return ready for departure, and the cab, once more in motion, turned toward the neighborhood of Eton square. The house at which it now pulled up betokened far greater wealth than either of the other two at which it had stopped since chartered in Bond street, but an air of quietude peculiar to residences in which lie invalids in a very critical condition pervaded the place. The street door was opened noiselessly by a footman before the occupants of the cab were fairly on the doorstep, and the doctor was shown into a room on the ground floor which answered the purposes of a library as much as such rooms usually do in London houses.

"Send me Nurse Moore," said the doctor.

"Nurse Moore is out for exercise," replied the footman. "Nurse Norris is on duty, I happen to know, for she took the new medicine which I carried up not five minutes ago."

Dr. Blank was a little man, and little men are usually quick in their motions. But never did man, little or big, fly up the stairs at the same rate as he did before the last words were out of the footman's mouth. The assistant followed, but had only reached the first floor when the doctor entered the bedroom on the second. Nurse Norris was standing by the bed measuring a dose of medicine from a bottle. She was a tall, dark young woman of 25, very pleasant looking and apparently pursuing her vocation with care, as she did not even look up when the doctor entered.

"None of that, nurse!" exclaimed the doctor.

"I beg pardon, sir?" said the nurse, now aroused to the sense of some incongruity in the physician's manner, which became intensified when a strange young man, very much out of breath, almost fell into the room from the passage.

"I think I am a little better, doctor," said a weak voice from the bed, on which lay a man of about 30 with the peculiarly emaciated and drawn look which invariably follows a prolonged or very severe illness; "a little easier."

"That's right," said the doctor, feeling the invalid's pulse, "that's right. Yes, a marked improvement." Then, having completed a rather lengthy examination, he turned to the nurse. "A decided improvement, nurse. For tonight we will discontinue all drugs. Give nothing except his usual nourishment until I come again. Dr. W. — will return tomorrow, and when we have a local practitioner once more in attendance you will take your instructions from him. In the meantime give no medicine. Indeed, I will take it with me." And without noticing the hurt and resentful look of the nurse the doctor pounced on the bottle and transferred it to his coat pocket.

On that particular June evening the assistant at Messrs. — had been gravely cogitating whether he would be justified in wedding the girl of his choice, who was too delicate to be able to add to the common purse, on a salary of £100 a year and had decided in the negative. Six months after a quiet but very happy wedding party returned to a very flourishing chemist's shop in the neighborhood of Cavendish square which bore the name of the assistant over the front as its proprietor. And if you have ever occasion to consult the great physician, you may be sure that, whatever his opinion of your case may be, he will add, as he hands you your prescription: "Be sure you have it made up at a good chemist's. Mr. — is an extremely careful dispenser, and in addition personally analyzes every drug which goes into his place. Thank you. Good morning!"—Chambers' Journal.

Measuring Medicine.
Use a medicine glass with the amount of each spoonful and drop marked upon it. Teaspoonfuls and tablespoonfuls are always mentioned, but as these vary in size it is not safe to rely upon them. Drops, too, cannot be properly measured without a glass.

Keep the medicine glass perfectly clean. It should be washed out after each dose, in readiness for the next time. It is desirable that if the patient is to have medicine with a strong smell, oils, etc., to keep a glass specially for them, letting it soak in hot water for half an hour after use to remove all disagreeable odor. It is impossible to cleanse such a glass in a few moments.

When the medicine is being poured out, hold the label uppermost, in order that it may not become stained with any drops escaping down the side of the bottle.

Pickled Tea In Burma.
Pickled tea is used in Burma as a sort of sauerkraut. The young leaves are boiled, poured into pits about six feet deep lined with plantain leaves and covered with earth, and are kept there for some months. They are then used either to make tea or eaten after being soaked in oil with garlic or dried fish.

A CYNICAL SUMMARY.
This world is but a fleeting show,
And little joy he gleams
Who curiously undertakes
To look behind the scenes.

It is not what the player does
That in the long run tells
In rounding out his baseball fame,
But what the umpire yells.

The fleetest racer sometimes fails
The victory to claim;
'Tis not the horse that gets in first,
But the one the judges name.

And so it is with all success
That human life may see;
'Tis not the man that counts, but what
The man is thought to be.
—Washington Star.

THE SORE WAS SHOCKED.
A Blunt Letter That Reached Him From the Interior Department.
The following anecdote is related of Judge Cox, who was once secretary of the interior: There is a class of people, and a large one, who find pleasure in corresponding with the departments on trivial subjects and prolong the correspondence indefinitely. A gentleman, let us call him Mr. Jones, was one of these persistent specimens who wrote to the interior department. Although replies were made to his inquiries, he always returned to the front with another unimportant question. His case became a subject of conversation among the clerks, and at luncheon one day some one referred to Mr. Jones' ability as a letter writer.

"If I had my way," said a clerk, "I'd soon put an end to his nonsense."

"How would you do it?"

"Why, I'd write him a letter like this," and he wrote as follows:

DEAR MR. JONES—Yours of the 9th inst. received. In reply I would say that your intellectual capacities are rather inferior to those of a boned codfish. I am tired of you. Hoping you will not write again, I remain, yours respectfully.

The letter was passed around and read and finally carelessly thrown aside on a desk. It remained there until evening, when it was collected, with others, by the messenger whose duty it was to carry letters from the several divisions to the secretary for his signature. It chanced to be among some letters relating to routine matters, and Secretary Cox affixed his signature without reading it. Then it went through the mail to Mr. Jones. The following day the secretary received a communication from Mr. Jones. He was shocked and grieved; he was fearful that the government was tottering to its fall. When a cabinet officer descended to penning such sentences, he said, he feared for the welfare of the country. Mr. Jones' wounded feelings were soothed by a personal letter from the secretary, and to show that there was no hard feeling on his part Mr. Jones at once renewed his correspondence with the department.—Washington Post.

NEWS OF LINCOLN'S DEATH.
An Illustration of the Improvement in the Means of Communication.
Writing upon the subject of "The Romance of Our News Supply," Mr. W. G. Fitzgerald tells a story about the death of President Lincoln which strikingly illustrates the improvement effected in our means of communication during the last 30 years. In those days there were no Atlantic cables working, and news of the shooting of the president and his subsequent death had to come by steamer. All night after Wilkes Booth's fatal shot had been fired Reuter's agent at Washington waited for the announcement of Lincoln's death, which was known to be imminent.

The president passed away at 7:30 the next morning at the very moment a great steamer was leaving for England. The energetic agent hired a fast tug and pursued the departing steamer until he was near enough to cast on her deck a tin canister containing the mournful tidings. This was the only intimation of Lincoln's death received in England by the mail. It was the custom in those days for swift yachts to meet the incoming Atlantic liners off the coast of Ireland. Tin cans of special construction were thrown overboard by the officers of the steamer and picked up by the yachts, after which the messages were conveyed with all possible expedition to the nearest telegraph office.—London News.

Marine Music a Failure.
Until some recent discoveries by Professor Saussier of Vevey, Switzerland, it was not suspected that fishes were affected by music. In a shallow inlet Professor Saussier found a queer arrangement of strings in the water which demanded examination. Viewing the affair from a distance with a water telescope he saw that some fishes, which had, by the usual painful method, gained possession of several fragments of fishline, were passing them around two sticks thrust into the water by some fisherman. When the strings were strung, the stakes were wedged apart by piling stones between them so as to tighten the strings, three or four fishes rolling a stone along the bottom with their noses. The operation was necessarily slow. The professor watched it at intervals for two or three days.

Finally, when all was ready, the largest fish seized a stick or bone, and, using it as a plectrum, twanged the strings with it, while the other fishes gathered around to hear the music. Of course, there was none, as the submerged strings refused to sound. After several trials the fishes tore up their water harp in disgust. They had probably caught their idea from Aimee Saussier, the professor's daughter, who was in the habit of playing a harp by the bank.—Boston Journal.

It Failed to walk.
"Speaking of 'Hamlet' with Hamlet left out," said the weary and wayworn erstwhile Polonius, "it ain't a marker to 'Hamlet' with the ghost left out."

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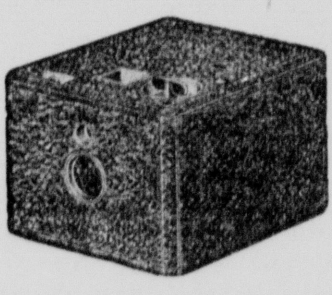
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EAST BOUND		WEST BOUND	
At Chicago.....3:25 a.m.	A	Pac't Ex.....1:52 a.m.	A
O'v Lm't.....4:55 a.m.	A	Chic't Ps.....11:59 a.m.	C
Chic'g Ex.....6:50 a.m.	A	Belle Pl.....4:00 p.m.	C
Chic't Ps.....7:08 a.m.	C	LaSalle Ps.....6:46 p.m.	C
Belle Pl.....11:05 a.m.	C	Dubuque Ps.....3:46 p.m.	C
DeMn's Ps.....3:54 p.m.	C	Chic't Ps.....5:25 p.m.	D
FREIGHT TRAINS CARRYING PASSENGERS.			
Freight.....7:30 p.m. A Freight.....9:45 a.m. C			
A-Daily. C-Daily ex. Sun. D-Sun. only.			
F. L. MURRY, Agent.			

ILLINOIS CENTRAL RAILROAD.			
SOUTH BOUND		NORTH BOUND	
Passenger.....3:25 a.m.	A	Passenger.....11:55 p.m.	A
Passenger.....11:05 a.m.	A	Passenger.....5:47 a.m.	A
LaSalle Ps.....6:46 p.m.	A	Dubuque Ps.....3:46 p.m.	A
Freight.....11:45 a.m.	A	Freight.....11:10 a.m.	A
* Daily except Monday.			
ANNA C. MEAD, Ticket Agent.			

WEATHER REPORT.

For the week commencing Aug., 2, '96.						
	T. A.	P. M.	9 P. M.	Max	Min.	Prep.
Sun.	66	83	72	85	60	-
Mon.	70	85	74	88	64	-
Tues.	74	95	82	97	69	-
Wed.	80	95	75	96	76	-
Thurs.	75	93	76	93	72	-
Fri.	73	88	-	-	69	.01
Sat.	-	-	-	-	-	-

THE WEATHER.

The following is the weather forecast telegraphed us at 9:30 o'clock a.m. today from the government observatory at Chicago:

Generally fair tonight and Saturday, with conditions favorable for local thunder storms.

JOS. STERN,
Opera House Block.
Successor to STERN BROS.

Closing Out

all our Shirt Waists, all new, desirable and this seasons newest styles, at less than wholesale prices. It is of the utmost importance to us to close them out, we need the room for other goods, and we are making very low prices on them.

Remnants!

Thousands of yards of all kinds, styles and qualities, particularly Wash Dress Goods, Table Linen, Toweling, Calicos, Muslin, Dotted Swisses, for curtains, etc. Must be sold at any price.

Ladies' Ribbed Jersey Vests!

Fancy crocheted around neck and sleeves; full size, good quality, at 4c each.

Ladies' Tailor-made Dress Skirts!

Made of figured Mohair Brilliantine, a so all wool bundle plaids, rustle taffetas lined, velvet faced, cut extra wide and perfect hang, at \$2.75, \$2.49 and \$1.98.

Ladies' Hose!

50 dozen Ladies' Fast Black or Tan full seamless Hose, excellent quality 3 pair for 25c.

Our New Fall Carpets.

Floor Oilcloth, Linoleums and Matings, are now coming in. We have the newest and choicest patterns at the very lowest prices.



TWINKLING DAINTY FEET
clad in pretty shoes would charm an anchorite. Don't hide your light under a bushel by concealing a pretty little foot in a clumsy, out of style shoe. Go to Haley & Drew's, where they are noted for carrying the prettiest shaped, up-to-date, handsome shoes in Dixon and you will have a season's comfort, in perfect fitting durable shoes. Bicycle and tennis shoes in every style and children's fine, strong shoes.

Haley & Drew,
15 First Street.

That Planet Signaling Scheme.
What has become of the planet signaling scheme suggested by the speculative astronomers two or three years ago? If we remember aright, it was proposed to signal the planet Mars by mapping out an immense right angled triangle on the desert of Sahara, over the same with light combustibles and set fire to it on some moonless night. It was hoped that the Marsians would see such a blazing figure and answer with the Pythagorean figure of three squares built on the side of the triangle. The desert is still available, and so are the light combustibles. —St. Louis Republic.

Comparison.
"How I would like to live in a house," said Miss Flatdeweller, "where there was room to go about, and where I could go up and down stairs."
"How delightful it is," said Miss Boardinghouse-dweller to her friend, Miss Flatdeweller, whom she was visiting, "to have room to move about in, to be able to go from one room to another when you get up in the morning!" —New York Sun.

Amusement, Business and Local Items.

The ladies of the Baptist church will serve both dinner and supper, August 21, Buffalo Bill's Day.

It MRS. A. G. JUDD.

Quaker bread, the latest and best, try it. Made daily at Beier Bros., the bakers. 75tf

Soft coal that burns as clear as wood is nice, and Pitcher sells it.

Call on the Dixon Ice Company for pure up-river ice. Telephone 101. 95tf

Hacks to trains or to any part of the city. Leave orders at L. E. Edwards store, Galena avenue; evenings or Sundays at the Nachusa House; or telephone to stable on third street at any time. Telephone No. 133. 14tf

URIAH STROUP.

A. I. Gage is now running hacks to all trains, or any part of the city. Day calls leave at Parker & Sawyer's, telephone 45; night calls at Washington House, Telephone 135. 26tf

Soft coal that burns as clear as wood is nice, and Pitcher is the only one in Dixon who sells it. It is the Assumption. dawtf

Steamboat Rides.

The large steamer Spencer, the safest boat on the river, is well manned and ready for excursions. Leave orders at John D. Parsons' or at the boat. 95tf

LOW RATE TO SPRINGFIELD, ILL.

On account of the People's Party State Convention, the North-Western Line will, on August 10, 11 and 12, sell excursion tickets to Springfield and return at one fare for the round trip, good returning until August 14, 1896. For tickets and full information, apply to agents Chicago & North-Western R'y. 28tf

POPULAR LOW-PRICE CALIFORNIA EXCURSIONS.

The Santa Fe route personally conducted weekly excursions to California are deservedly popular. About one-third saved in price of railroad and sleeper tickets as compared with first-class passage.

The improved Pullmans occupied by these parties are of 1896 pattern and afford every necessary convenience. A porter goes through each car, and an experienced agent of the company is in charge.

The Santa Fe's California line is remarkably picturesque, and its middle course across the continent avoids the discomforts of extreme heat or cold.

Daily service, same as above, except as regards agent in charge.

For descriptive literature and other information, address G. T. Nicholson, G. P. A., A., T. & S. F. Ry., Chicago.

HALF RATES TO OMAHA.

Via The North-Western Line (Chicago & North-Western R'y), August 15, 17 and 18, 1896—one fare for the round trip. On August 24 excursion tickets at very low rates will be sold from Omaha to Denver and the famous Hot Springs of South Dakota.

For tickets and full information apply to agents Chicago & North-Western R'y. 31&19&2

HALF RATES TO SALT LAKE, UTAH.

On account of Annual Convention International Association of Fire Engineers, the North-Western Line will, on August 6 and 7, sell excursion tickets to Salt Lake City and return at one fare, plus \$2.00, for the round trip. For tickets and full information apply to agents Chicago & North-Western R'y. 11&30&2

HALF RATE TO MILWAUKEE.

On account of National Convention Republican League, August 26 and 27, the North-Western Line will sell excursion tickets to Milwaukee and return at one fare for the round trip. For dates of sale and full information apply to agents Chicago & North-Western R'y. 11&30&2

ONE NIGHT'S WORK!

FIRST DEMONSTRATION AND CLINIC GIVEN BY ZARO, AT THE OPERA HOUSE LAST EVENING.

Another Demonstration and Public Clinic This Evening.—Admission Free to All.

Notwithstanding the extreme warm weather of last evening the Opera House held a large audience to hear the first lecture given by Zaro, the lecturer for the Illinois Medical Institute. The people ranged from infants in arms to venerables. Some of the ancients looked merely like white whiskers mounted on crutches. Lots of them hoped or expected that the lecture was something like the marvelous one in Palestine eighteen centuries ago, and if they laid their fins on Zaro's coat-tails they would straightway be made whole.

When called for, a number of people went upon the stage for treatment, and after receiving it, state that they were much better, but they did not have the class of cripples they wished in order to show what this wonderful treatment would really do; it would be well for any persons who are crippled up so that they have to walk with canes or crutches to call and see the doctor at the Nachusa House or at the Opera House this evening. The cures this treatment performs is simply wonderful.

The work done last evening was of a remarkable nature. Prof. Zaro Howard says that they do not claim that one single treatment is going to cure any one; it simply shows what the treatment will do a man if it is kept up a short time. The professor stated that every in case taken for treatment by the physicians of the Illinois Medical Institute a cure would be guaranteed or money refunded.

Prof. Zaro Howard is a very rapid and fluent speaker, his utterances are a little cockney. He is an Englishman. In his lecture he roasted magnetic healers and faith curists to a standstill. He tells lots of stories and is direct and is pointed almost to the verge of impertinence. Nevertheless he is entertaining and brilliant, and drops much information from time to time. He told last night that a hot cloth dipped in boiling water and washing soda was best for reducing the swelling of inflammatory rheumatism. The disease, though, he said, was one of the kidneys rather than one of the blood. If a man's kidneys are all right, he won't have rheumatism.

This evening there will be a lecture for both men and women, and the admission will be free to all.

The office hours at the Nachusa House will be from 9 a. m. to 8 p. m.

Those who expect a good seat this evening should be at the Opera House by 7:30. Dr. A. Leslie Engle is the consulting physician here, and he will give consultation free to all. On Friday evening, Aug. 7, Zaro gives his startling lecture to ladies only, subject, "Maid, Wife and Mother." Admission 25 cts. This evening the lecture and clinic is for both men and women, and the admission is free to all.

A Cold Cure For 10c.

Three little tablets, each a separate prescription that together will cure a cold in one night. "Cold Crackers" are for sale at all druggists. Perfectly harmless. Certain to cure.

Annual Campmeeting.

For this occasion the North-Western line will, from August 7 to 18, sell excursion tickets to Franklin Grove and return at very low rates. Tickets good returning until August 19, 1896. For tickets and full information apply to agents Chicago & North-Western R'y. d&w Aug 8-15.

Go to Brown for the best \$2.00 cabinet photos. 23tf

CHEAP EXCURSIONS TO THE WEST AND NORTHWEST.

On August 4, 18, September 1, 15, 29, October 6 and 20, 1896, The North-Western Line (Chicago & North-Western R'y) will sell Home Seekers' excursion tickets at very low rates to a large number of points in the West and Northwest.

For tickets and full information apply to agents Chicago & North-Western R'y. 31&18&2

Elegant Line of Trousers

Just Received!

This line consists of fine Domestic and Imported Worsteds; an elegant selection of most desirable styles, that are often sold for \$6.00 to \$12.00, our price for the next two weeks \$3.50 to \$4.50. Call at once and look.

CHAS. A. TODD, Agent.
Room 18, Brown Block, up stairs.

FORRENT.

HOTEL known as Transient House, situated between I. C. & N. W. R'y's, 16 sleeping rooms, completely furnished. Terms reasonable. Address or call on owner at premises. JAMES DUFFY, Dixon, Ill. 32&26tf

HOUSE. Apply to Mrs. JOHN BROWN, corner of Teoria Ave. and 5th St. 26tf

TO some dairyman, 155 acres of good tilable land, with good dwelling, a cow barn with stantions for 32 cows a good dairyhouse with a cool spring of water running through, a nice fish pool near same, good stables and plenty shelters for hay. In a healthy locality, one mile from Pontotoc, Miss. In the Pontotoc Co., State of Miss. Good schools, male and female in the town. I will rent this farm for \$40.00 per year to a Dairyman. For further information address S. M. BARR, R. M. S., Memphis, Tenn. 67124*

FURNISHED ROOMS.—Use of bath room—hot and cold water, gentlemen only. GEO. E. SHIELDS, No. 110 West 3rd St. 36tf

WANTED.

SHOEMAKERS: Good McKay channeller, S and top cutters. SELTZ, SCHWAB & CO. Genova, Ill. 26tf

SMALL Horses and Mares to weigh from 900 to 1050 lbs. Will also buy Good Churn weighing from 1200 to 1500 lbs. Will be at Mangos' Feed Shed, Saturday, Aug. 8th. ABE KLEE & SON. 2615&3241

SHOW Cases—8ft and 4ft cases, modern style. Will pay cash. J. D. DEHR. 2713*

MEN and women to sell the Multum-in-parvo, self-heating flatiron. For terms and territory address F. B. Smith, Pawpaw, Illinois. 2716*

FOR SALE.

FARM—An improved farm in Butler County, Kansas, for sale, or will exchange for Lee County property. J. M. Patrick, Dixon, Ill. 2763&32tf.

A GOOD platform spring wagon, suitable for delivering milk to factory also set double team harness at No. 151 Galena avenue. 2711*

FRESH Cow. Inquire at 516 W. Third St. 2613*

FRESH Vegetables and Fruit. Will be found on the streets each day. Wholesale and retail. Everything fresh. E. J. JACKSON. 2616*

SOME choice lots in North Dixon cheap. Three on North Crawford avenue, 75 feet by 150 feet. Two on North Court street, 50 by 150. One on North Dixon avenue, 60 by 150. Also an eight room house and lot on corner of North Crawford avenue and North Court street. HOLLIS PRESCOTT, Agent. 6855mo

LOST

GOLD Cuff Button—one-half link. Finder leave same at this office and receive reward. 30&3

HELP WANTED—MALE.

SOLICITORS for the life of Major McKinley, the next president, by Murat Halstead, Chauncey Depew, Foraker, John Sherman and Mark Hanna, with biography of Hobart. A bonanza for agents, a gold mine for workers. Only \$1.50. The only authorized book. 50 per cent. Credit given. Freight paid. Outfit free. Begin now with the life of McKinley. Permanent, profitable work for '96. Address, THE NATIONAL BOOK CONCERN, Star Building, Chicago. 19 Sept. 1 S.

Fruit!

Peaches and Pears!

Wholesale and Retail.

Good Freestone Peaches 80c per bush'l. Bartlett Pears \$1.20 to \$1.50 per bush'l.

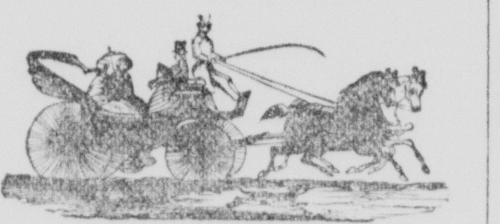
P. Bowser,
Stone Elevator, Dement town, also at 163 Hennepin Ave.

TORNADOES!

Get insured before it is too late, with

Smith & Crabtree
Fire Insurance Agents.

CEO. SHAVER,



Livery and Boarding Stable

New and Second-hand Buggies for sale.

113 First Street, Telephone 34.

Quaker Bread!

I am better fixed to supply the great demand for my goods than ever, having lately added another wagon and placed it on the North Side, giving the North-Side fresh Bakery goods for dinner.

The best service in Dixon for Ice Cream and Bakery Goods. Look for my white wagon.

C. E. GROVE,
The Baker.
55 First St.

We Are Making Room

for FALL GOODS, which are arriving daily.
Look at Our Prices!

Good Looking-glass.....10c	Tack Hammer.....05
Good Potatoe Masher.....5c np	Swan Down Face Powder.....10c
Good Broom.....10c	Meat pounder.....5c
Chimneys, all sizes.....5c	Enamaline Stove Polish.....5c
Thread, 3 spools.....5c	Tea Spoons, 6 for.....5c
Pins, 14 rows.....1c	Table Spoons 6 for.....10c
Safty Pins, 2 dozen.....5c	Good Scrubbing Brush.....5c
Tacks, per box.....1c	Lamp Burners.....5c
Cloth Hooks, per dozen.....10c	Can Openers.....5c
1 Pacakage Envelopes.....5c	Nursing Bottle, Complete.....10c
1 Box Writing paper.....10c	Good Tooth Brush.....5c
Dolls.....5c	1 Gross Agate Buttons.....5c
Clothes Lines.....10c	1 set Kitchen Spoon and Fork.....25c
Wire Lines.....25c	Soap Shaker.....10c
Fly Paper, 6 sheets.....5c	Jelly Glasses, per dozen.....25c
Writing Tablets.....1c	Hammocks, from 60c.....up
Buttermilk Soap, per box.....9c	Curtain Rods.....15c
Dish Mop.....5c	Machine Oil, per bottle.....5c
Good Egg Beater.....10c	Knife and Fork, each.....5c
Ladies' Shoe Dressing, per bottle.....10c	Hook and Eye Card.....5c
Good Hair Brush.....10c	Hand Brush.....5c
Good Clothes Brush.....10c	Ladies' Belt, 15c.....up
Good Comb.....5c	Ink, per bottle.....5c
Curry-comb and Brush, each.....10c	Mucilage.....5c
Mouse Traps.....5c	Mourning Pins, 2 boxes.....5c
Rat Traps.....10c	25 sheets, Shelf Paper.....5c
Curling Irons.....5c	Hair Pins, 2 bunches.....5c
Shoe Brush.....10c	Darning Cotton, each.....1c
Ladies' Black Hose.....10c	Boys' Waists.....15c
Hatchet or Hammer.....10c	1 Gallon Crock.....5c

Our Grocery Department is full of Bargains. Give our Tinware Department a look over.

FAMOUS,
5 and 10c Store.

15 First Street, Dixon, Ill. Look for Sign.

Cash! Cash!

We want cash—always want it—don't care whether it is GOLD or SILVER. So if you have any cash and want a BICYCLE come and see us—our Bicycles are the best and our prices the lowest always; but we will make special prices now to close out what wheels we have on hand. Will give time to responsible parties.

DIXON MUSIC COMPANY. 14 EAST FIRST ST. Dixon, Illinois.

GREAT
Childs' Clothing clearance Sale!

150 Childs' Knee Pant Suits, divided into TWO LOTS.

Lot No. 1.--Choice Per Suit, \$2.00
Suits that have been selling for \$3.00, \$3.50 and \$4.00.

Lot No. 2.--Choice Per Suit, \$3.00

This lot is the best offering ever shown; suits that have been selling from \$4.50 to \$7.00. These two lots are mostly small sizes, 5, 6, 7 and 8 year old, but they are the most evtraordinary Bargains ever shown in Children's Clothing.

Don't Fail to See Them on Sale in our Show Window!

S. Rosenthal & Son,
14 First Street, Dixon Ill.